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(Our Own Correspondent)

(By Telegraph. Received Sept. 26, 12 noon)

Moscow, To-day.

THE INFERENCE WHICH has been drawn from the hurried departure of the visiting Esthonian Foreign Minister, M. Selter, by plane to Tallinn, is that Moscow is adopting Hitlerian methods. The Esthonian diplomat is, at all events, alleged to have left at once on receipt of Soviet demands, which he refused to accept.

He only arrived in Moscow on Sunday at 4.45 p.m. and he attended an opera rendition in the evening.

He subsequently met the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Molotov, in connection with urgent parleys, and his departure followed early yesterday morning.

Earlier reports regarding M. Selter's visit to Moscow stated that he went to discuss the annual renewal of the Esthonian-Soviet Trade Agreement and "the creation of a Soviet protectorate over Esthonia."—Our Own Correspondent.



Troops make a raid on the ice-cream tri-cycle. A striking reflection picture in a flooded camp near Brockenhurst. (Copyright, Fox).

FRANCE AND JAPAN ON BETTER TERMS

(Our Own Correspondent)
(By Telegraph. Received September 26, 12 noon).

Paris, To-day.

Progressive Franco-Japanese rapprochement and the ironing-out of tricky problems was seen here yesterday when political quarters declared:

"The Japanese Government is interested in the Far East only and wishes to maintain courteous relations with Germany's enemies."

Franco-Japanese relations are improving following the German-Soviet pact.—Reuter.

MACHINE-GUN PRACTICE AT LAMMA

The French gunboat "Argus" will carry out machine-gun firing in West Lamma Channel to-morrow, according to a naval announcement.

WEATHER FORECAST:—East and North-East winds, fresh; cloudy, occasional light rain.

ESTONIAN SITUATION MISGIVINGS

London, To-day.

A Moscow message confirms that the Esthonian Foreign Minister suddenly left the Soviet capital for Tallinn by air yesterday morning.

The previous night he had conferred with Soviet leaders.

Neither side will make any comment on the talks.

The Estonian Minister in Moscow is returning to Tallinn to-day.—Reuter.

VITAL STATISTICS

Last week's notifications to the Medical Department included 18 cholera (eight deaths), 28 typhoid (six deaths), 10 diphtheria (two deaths), 30 dysentery (six deaths) and 128 tuberculosis (61 deaths).

Yesterday's return included five cholera, three typhoid and two diphtheria.

PORTENTS OF TROUBLE

London, To-day.
An unconfirmed report states that the Soviet-Rumanian frontier has been closed.
Another report, also unconfirmed, reports that the Soviet Black Sea port, Odessa, has been closed.—Reuter.

BRUTAL NAZI METHODS

London, To-day.

The Nazis are treating Jews in the occupied territory of Poland far more stringently and maliciously than those in Bohemia and Moravia.

Jews are being refused food supplies, the Nazis are taking over Jewish businesses, and severe punishments are meted out for anti-Nazi remarks.—Reuter.

the German people to join the Czechs in revolt against the Nazis.—Reuter.

FREEDOM STATION KEEPS GOING

London, To-day.

The mysterious "German Freedom Station," which makes daily anti-Nazi broadcasts from somewhere inside Germany, last night appealed to

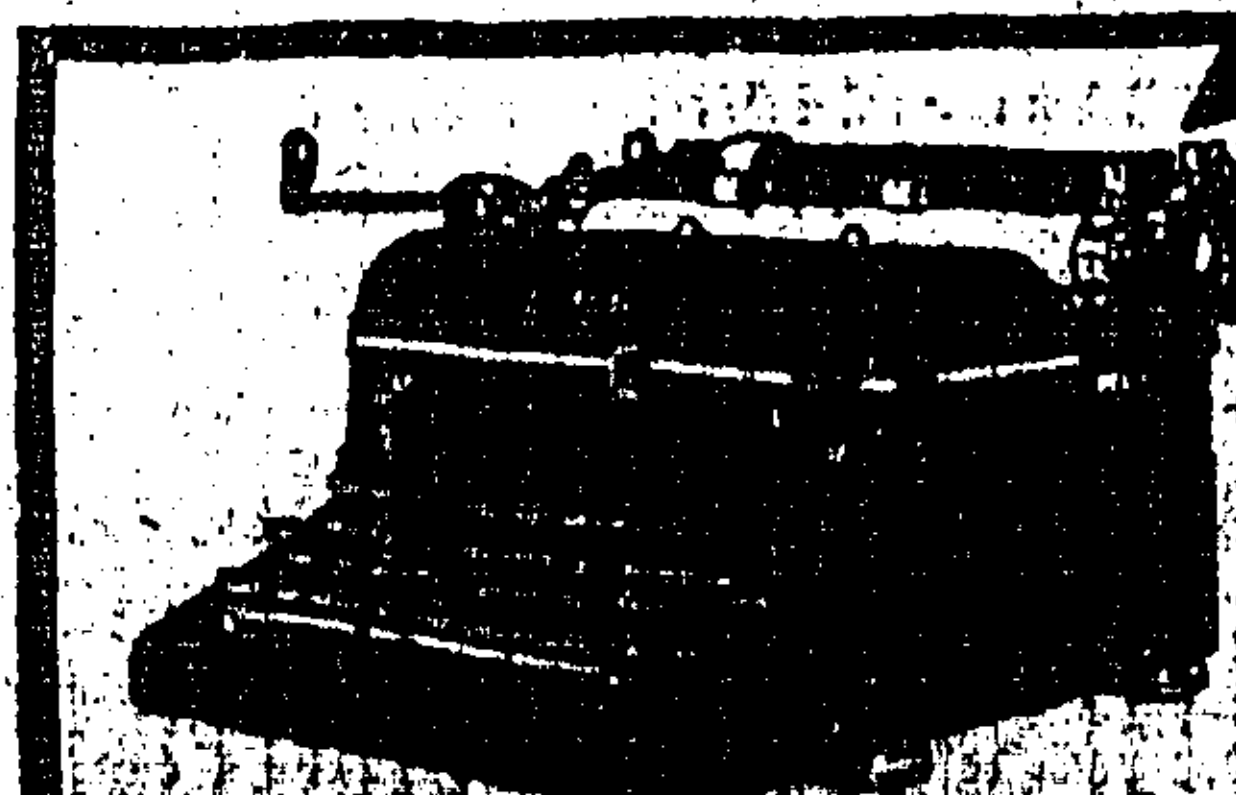


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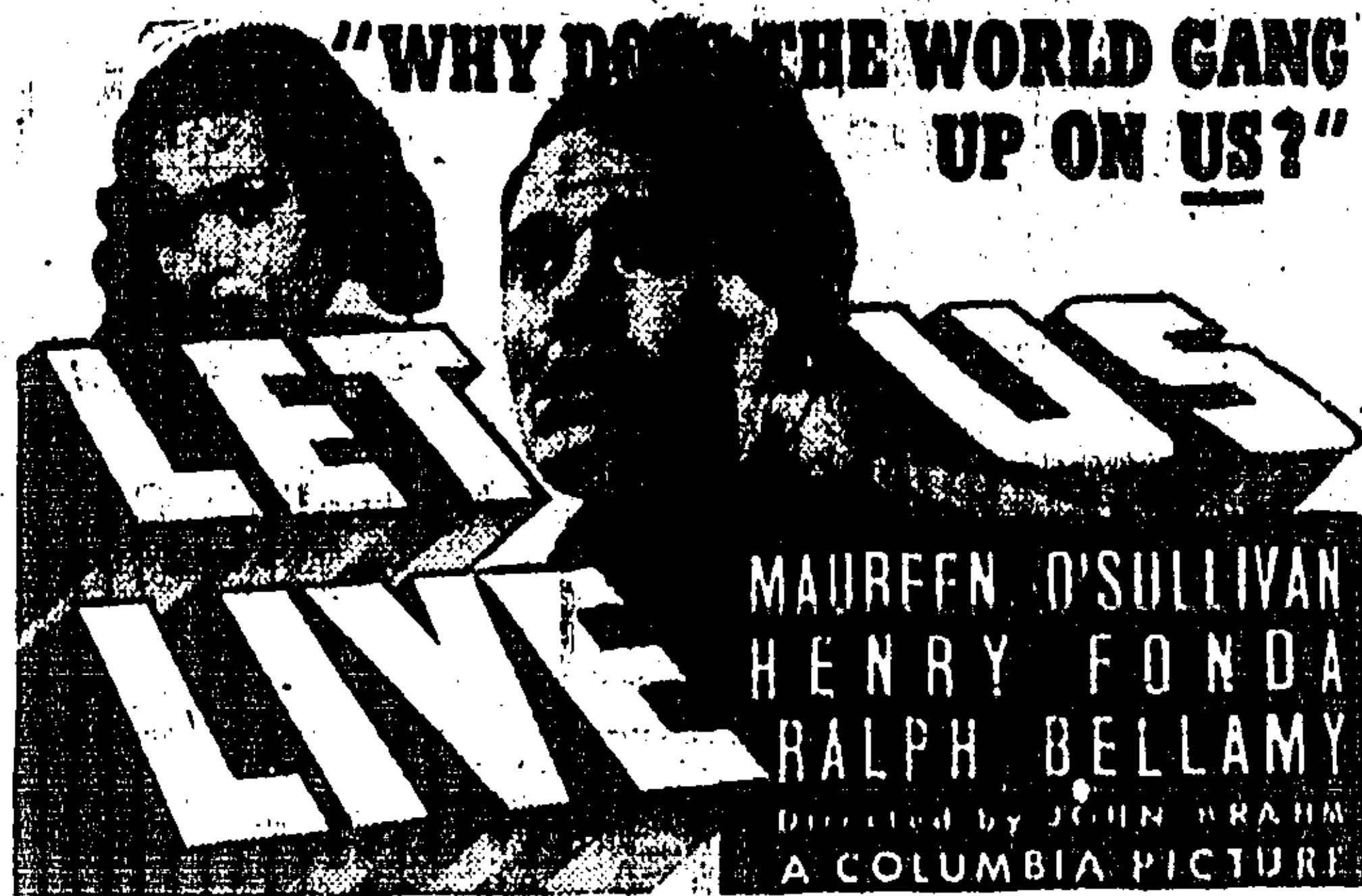
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London, To-day.

TWO BRITISH DESTROYERS yesterday went to the rescue of the crew of a French collier which was sunk by a Nazi submarine off the English coast. At the moment of the attack on the collier, a 2,700-ton vessel, watchers on shore heard an explosion and saw a column of smoke arise from the stricken craft.

The collier had sunk by the time the destroyers reached the scene.

The crew of 24 were rescued by a lifeboat from the shore, after they had taken to the ship's boats.

Two of the crew were injured and are now in hospital.

Survivors said there was no warning of the attack.—Reuter.

ARRIVE TOO LATE

London, To-day.

Two British destroyers raced to the scene after a U-boat had attacked the French collier Phryne off the English coast yesterday.

People on shore, hearing an explosion, saw a column of smoke rise from the French ship, whose crew numbering about 24, took to the boats.

Lifeboats, however, putting out from shore, took them aboard.

Meanwhile watchers saw two destroyers suddenly appear on the scene but the French ship had gone to the bottom and the warships sped away.—Reuter.

SEVEN YEARS FOR ESPIONAGE

London, To-day.

Sentence of seven years penal servitude was passed on Donala Owen Reginald Adams, at the Old Bailey.

Adams was charged under the Official Secrets Act, and the case was heard in camera.—Reuter.

GUERRILLA ATTACK AT KIANGWAN

Shanghai, To-day.

An attempt to wreck the Kiangwan Aerodrome has been made by Chinese guerrillas.

A skirmish between the guerrillas and Japanese troops occurred in which both forces suffered losses. The Chinese were forced to retire.—Our Own Correspondent.

CREW SET ADrift BY U-BOAT

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IT IS FEARED THAT ALL HOPE MUST NOW BE ABANDONED FOR THE OFFICERS AND CREW OF THE ROYAL SCEPTRE WHICH WAS SUNK BY A U-BOAT 300 MILES WEST OF USHANT, STATES THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION WHICH ADDS:

"The crew were set adrift in boats without possible hope of reaching land.

"This was a foul act of piracy on the high seas on the part of the German Navy.

The submarine protocol signed by Germany in November 1936 makes it abundantly clear that no warship — submarine or otherwise — is justified in sinking a merchantman unless the crew has been placed in safety. — Reuter.

MOSCOW WELCOMES TURKISH MINISTER

Moscow, To-day.

The Foreign Minister of Turkey, Sarajoglu Pasha, was welcomed on arrival by M. Potemkin, Assistant Commissar for Foreign Affairs, and other Foreign Office officials.

The ambassadors and ministers of Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, Persia and Afghanistan were also present at the station which was decorated with the Soviet and Turkish flags.—Reuter.

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NORWAY REPORTS HEAVY GUNFIRE IN NORTH SEA

WHAT WAS APPARENTLY a naval engagement is the North Sea, lasting for some hours, is reported in circumstantial accounts from Norway, giving rise to much speculation in view of the absence of any confirmation by the Admiralty. Nothing was seen of the engagement from the Norwegian coast, but shattering gunfire rattled hamlets, while aeroplanes appear to have co-operated.

Three different messages have been received, at intervals, concerning the engagement, as follows:

FIRST REPORT

London, To-day.
Sunday's naval engagement off the Norwegian coast (reported in a message from Bergen) was so heavy that houses on the shore were shaken by the gunfire.—Reuter.

ROAR OF PLANES

Bergen, To-day.
During yesterday morning's naval battle off the Norwegian coast, the roar of aeroplane engines could also be heard.

There is as yet no official confirmation of the naval battle from any country.—Reuter.

OSLO DESPATCH

London, To-day.
As Oslo despatch confirms earlier reports from Bergen of a naval engagement off the Norwegian coast.

Firing started early in the afternoon and stopped between 7 and 8 o'clock last evening.—Reuter.

ADMIRALTY SAY NO

London, To-day.
The Admiralty state that they have received no report of a naval engagement off the Norwegian coast, which would have been the case had one taken place, says the Ministry of Information.—Reuter.

KING'S VISIT TO R.A.F. H.Q.

London, To-day.

The King wearing the service dress of Marshal of the R.A.F., and accompanied by the Air Minister, yesterday visited the headquarters of the R.A.F. coastal command.

There he was shown, among other things some of the secrets of the R.A.F.'s anti-submarine campaign. Before leaving, the King took tea in the Officers' Mess.—British Wirelless.

TRINIDAD CREWS FOR BRITISH SHIPS

London, To-day.

The Ministry of Information says that many Trinidad seamen have volunteered to serve on British merchantmen whose regular foreign crews are not willing to enter the war zones.

Eighty are already serving on three British ships, and a further appeal for volunteers has met with a ready response.—Reuter.

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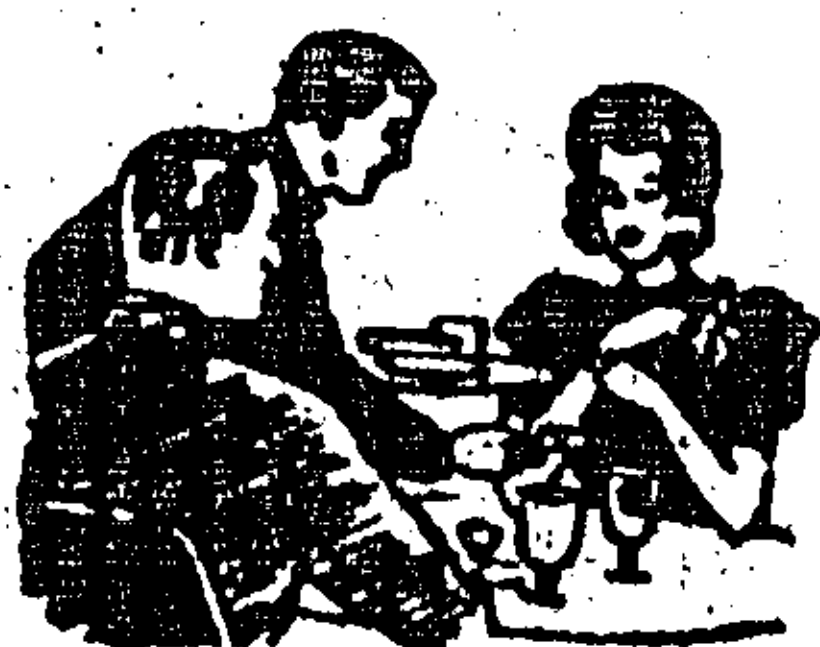
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NAZIS TRY TO FAKE THE PICTURE IN DOCUMENTS ON ORIGINS OF THE WAR

London, To-day.

THE MINISTRY of Information referring to the recent German Foreign Office statement on the last phase of the German-Polish crisis says that all attempts to "fake the picture" in the German series of documents cannot conceal the truth or shift to other shoulders the fearful responsibility for the outbreak of war.

The Ministry states that the German Government wrongly denies that the Danzig Senate had proposed to suspend the activities of certain Polish customs inspectors.

There is no mention of the illegal appointment of Gauleiter Forster as head of state of the Free City of Danzig or of the fact that the British Government demurred from the first at the German ultimatum for a Polish representative to be in Berlin by midnight on August 30 to receive and "accept" the German proposals.

By a clumsy omission of dates the Germans imply that on August 30 the British Ambassador in Berlin was given German proposals which were explained to him in detail.

Britain is blamed for refusing Italian mediation but the Germans omit to say that the British Government refused to negotiate unless the Germans ceased their attacks on Poland and promised to withdraw their troops from Polish soil.

DOCUMENTS EXCLUDED

As the documents exclude any account of the interviews between Sir Neville Henderson, the British Ambassador to Berlin, and Hitler, on August 23, August 25, August 28 and August 29, or of the interview between Sir Neville and von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, they do not want to produce an accurate picture.

They have every motive for concealing from the German people and the world at large, the truth, and the truth is that the crisis was brought about deliberately by German action.—Reuter.

LENGTHY COMPARISON

A comparison of the German official publication, "Last Phase of the German-Polish Crisis" and the two British official publications, shows that 15 out of the 28 documents, which is the all the former contains, were among the total of 130 made public by the British Government, while the German Foreign Office has omitted a number of documents recording facts of great importance.

There is no account of the interviews on August 23, 25, 28, 29, 30 and 31, Sir Neville Henderson's records of which were one of the most interesting sections of the second British White Paper, revealing as they did the violent and menacing language used by Hitler and Ribbentrop.

Readers of the German documents who have had no access to the fuller British publication would be unaware, for example, that the British Government protested at once against the German demand for the arrival of a Polish plenipotentiary at Berlin to receive and accept the German demands by midnight on August 30.

WOULD NOT KNOW

They would not know that the German Government while insisting on August 29 that this demand was not an ultimatum, stated at midnight on August 30 that they regarded their proposals as already rejected because the demand for the arrival of a Polish plenipotentiary had not been accepted.

It would have been concealed from them that the German Government refused absolutely repeated suggestions made by the British Government and accepted by the Polish Government that Polish-German negotiations should take an ordinary form, that is, that any German proposals should be given to the Polish Ambassador for transmission to his Government and that at midnight on

27 VICTIMS OF THETIS RECOVERED

London, To-day.

Divers have brought 27 bodies to the surface from the submarine Thetis.

It is stated that the way is now clear for the final operations of raising the hull which is expected to be begun immediately.—Reuter.

August 30, Ribbentrop refused to give the British Ambassador a written communication stating the German proposals or to suggest to the Polish Government any method of negotiation other than that of facing a Polish plenipotentiary and was unwilling to listen to Polish counter-proposals.

PLAYING WITH DATES

Again later in the introduction, there is a clumsy attempt by an omission of dates and times to give an impression that on August 30, the British Ambassador in Berlin was given the German proposals which were explained to him in detail.

In fact on the night of August 30/31, Ribbentrop's method of explanation was, in Sir Neville Henderson's own words "to read out a lengthy document in German at top speed."

He refused to give the British Ambassador a copy of these proposals and added that, in any case, he considered the proposals—which the Polish Government had not seen—were rejected because a Polish plenipotentiary had not arrived to accept them en bloc before midnight.

GERMAN INTENTION

The proposals were not given to the British Ambassador until 9.15 p.m. on August 31 when the German Government again repeated that the proposals were rejected because the Polish Government had not agreed to what, in effect, was the German intention to obtain, a dictated settlement in Berlin.

The Polish plenipotentiary would have been faced with a series of demands which he would have been expected to accept without consulting his Government.

TENDENTIOUS ALL THROUGH

As a method of stating a case, the procedure adopted by the German Foreign Office has an obvious advantage, so long as it is intended only for those who can be prevented from obtaining fuller information, but it is not likely to impress any who have access to the statements of both sides.

The introduction to the German Foreign Office's selection of the documents is no less tendentious than the selection itself.

It is implied that the British guarantee to Poland was given before the Polish rejection of German offer of March, 1939. In fact the British guarantee was not offered to Poland until after these terms had been rejected by the Polish Government as incompatible with Polish independence and after the Germans had been so informed.—British Wireless.

NEW NAZI FOOD RATIONS

THE IDEAL DIET ?

London, To-day.

New food rationing cards issued in Germany bear no indication of the amount of food to which the cards entitle recipients.

The German spokesman in Berlin, asked by foreign pressmen for a statement, said: "For technical printing reasons the quantity of food could not be mentioned on the new cards!"

Meanwhile, the German radio yesterday broadcast suggestions for meals to German housewives.

Menus for the first three days of the week were suggested. Chief omission from these menus was butter, green vegetables and milk.

Meat is only mentioned twice—once in the form of sausage and once in the form of bacon.

Tea is described as "German tea," and coffee as "malt coffee."

Fruit and whole-meal bread figure on the menus, but fat only once. Nearest approach to milk is junket.

A typical breakfast suggestion is: German tea, whole-meal bread and jam.

For lunch: cucumber filled with whole-meal bread, potatoes, parsley and carrot salad.

And for dinner: Potatoes, horse-radish salad, one slice of bread and sausage.—Reuter.

LABOUR PARTY CRITICISM OF SUPPLY MINISTRY

London, To-day.

THE COUNCIL OF TFN, which is responsible for munitions production, is to hold its first meeting to-day (Tuesday) under Mr. Leslie Burgin, the Minister of Supply.

Mr. Burgin will deal with criticisms of the Ministry of Supply by Mr. C. R. Attlee and Mr. Arthur Greenwood, the Labour leaders.

Mr. Attlee and Mr. Greenwood called at 10 Downing Street yesterday and saw the Prime Minister, with whom they discussed questions of supply and the organisation of labour.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress is anxious to co-operate in arms production, and discussions will be held shortly between Unions and the Government.—Reuter.

ENQUIRIES HERE

London, To-day.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare has set up a section to answer enquiries from British and neutral traders.

The new department will make statements on the question of goods detained by the British Contraband Control, but will give no advice on export policy.—Reuter.

ESTHONIAN MINISTER LEAVES SUDDENLY

London, To-day.

A message from Riga says that the Estonian Foreign Minister, who had gone to Moscow to see M. Molotov (Soviet Foreign Commissar), left the Soviet capital for his own country. He had only been in Moscow for a day.—Reuter.

SINKING OF BRITISH FREIGHTER

London, To-day.

A Ministry of Information statement gives further details of the sinking of the Newcastle freighter "Hazel-side."

An R.A.F. plane appeared on the scene after the sinking and dropped a message in a metal canister to some of the crew who were in a life-boat telling them of the whereabouts of some of their shipmates who were clinging to a raft.

The R.A.F. plane bombed the submarine, which could be seen submerged, and though the plane remained on the spot for some time, no further trace of the U-boat was seen.—Reuter.

NAZI BOMBING OF WARSAW

London, To-day.

A communique issued by the German High Command yesterday stated: "Our dive bombers have repeatedly and successfully bombed military objectives in Warsaw."

Meanwhile, reports received in London reveal that Warsaw is undergoing another terrible ordeal.—Reuter.

BACK TO THE R.A.F.

London, To-day.

Air Chief-Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Kenya, has given up his appointment and will take up duties with the R.A.F.

Sir Robert has been closely associated with service flying since the earliest days, and served with the Royal Flying Corps in France throughout the Great War.—Reuter.

BUSINESS ADVISER

London, To-day.

Mr. Clifford Figg, a member of International Rubber and Tea Committees, has been appointed honorary business adviser to the Colonial Secretary for the duration of the war.—Reuter.

MILITIAMEN BEHIND THE LINES

London, To-day.

The militiamen who have been sent overseas on service are composed of fitters, clerks, butchers, bakers and tradesmen.—Reuter.

PITTMAN PROPOSALS FOR NEUTRALITY ACT REVISION: DISCRETION IN RE CANADA

Washington, To-day.

SENATOR KEY PITTMAN, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, yesterday published the new neutrality legislation drawn up by the Committee over the week-end.

The Committee has postponed discussion of the legislation until Thursday at the request of Senator Borah, who has asked for time to study it.

The main points of President Roosevelt's suggestions are contained in the legislation, though Congress is provided with checks on the discretion of the Executive.

NEUTRALITY OF THE AMERICAS

Panama City, To-day.

The United States Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, stated yesterday that the nations of the Western Hemisphere must protect themselves from the dangers and repercussions of the war in Europe.

Mr. Welles was speaking at the first plenary session of the Pan-American Conference.

He asked the States represented at the meeting not to sign any agreement by which the security of their nationals and their legitimate commercial activities would be endangered in close proximity to their shores. —Reuter.

DIRECT OR INDIRECT

Panama, To-day.

Addressing the Pan-American conference, Mr. Sumner Welles, Under Secretary for State, said: "We must resolutely defend our Continent against all menace of aggression, direct or indirect."

"The 21 American republic must inform all belligerents that their security must not be jeopardised by belligerent activities near the shores of the New World. —Reuter.

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Points of the legislation are, inter alia:

No American goods or passengers will be allowed to travel to belligerent countries.

No arms shall be shipped except at the discretion of the President.

No Americans shall travel on belligerent ships except in accordance with rules the President may specially lay down.

SHIPS BARRED FROM WAR ZONE
No American ships shall enter the war zones.

Belligerents shall not be allowed to sell securities in the United States.

Belligerents will only be allowed ordinary commercial credits up to 90 days, and Congress must make a report every six months on these credits.

There must be no soliciting of funds for belligerents in the United States.

AREAS EXEMPT

Lakes and rivers of the United States are exempt from the arms shipment ban clause. Overland routes in the United States are also exempt.

Latin-American countries will also be exempt in cases where they are at war with a non-American country.

Cash payment for shipments from the United States will apply also to Canada, though the President will be given discretionary powers. —Reuter.

PROVISIONS IN DETAIL

Washington, To-day.

The proposed new neutrality legislation provisions in detail include:

(1) That American vessels will not be allowed to carry passengers or goods to belligerent countries;

(2) Violations of this provision to be punishable by a fine not exceeding \$50,000;

(3) Belligerent powers purchasing goods from the United States will have to take title to them before the goods are shipped;

(4) Losses sustained by American insurance underwriters on war cargoes could not be made the basis for claims against the Government;

(5) The President could designate "combat areas" and prohibit American citizens or vessels from entering them;

(6) Americans could not travel on ships of belligerent powers except in accordance with rules prescribed by the President;

RED CROSS PROVISION

(7) Red Cross personnel and vessels chartered by the Red Cross would be exempt from the restrictions on American travel and shipping;

(8) American merchant ships would be prohibited from carrying any but small arms necessary to preserve discipline aboard.

(9) Belligerent governments could not sell securities in the United States;

(10) Belligerents could obtain ordinary commercial credits for a period not exceeding 90 days.

Other provisions state that solicitation for funds in the United States for belligerent nations would be prohibited and the President would have power to impose special restrictions on the use of American ports by submarines and merchantmen belonging to belligerents.

At the request of Senator Borah, who said he did not want to vote on the Bill until he had read its provisions, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee decided to delay action on the Bill until Thursday. —Reuter.

CORRESPONDENCE

PROPAGANDA A LA HONG KONG

Sir,—What is the purpose of the propaganda being put over the air by ZBW just before the news each night?

The method of playing up the deformity of Goebbels, and the altogether unsupported final sentences last night suggesting (?) that Hitler shot von Fritsch himself, what is it imagined is gained by that?

Is it necessary in order to make out our case that we should out-Goebbel Goebbels in sheer maliciousness and insinuating prevarication? The truth is plenty.

We can begin to think of personalities when the Nazi tyranny has been rooted out.

The secret of good propaganda surely is that it cannot be recognised as obviously such. Recent Hong Kong efforts have merely been excellent examples of bad propaganda—to the thinking mind, and that we should be permitted to preserve liberty of thought is, is it not, one of the principles we are fighting for. DEMOCRAT.

KAISER PREFERRED

"We prefer the Kaiser by the grace of God to that scamp at Berchtesgaden."

Motorists who have arrived in Holland from Cologne report seeing this message stuck on trees on the road to Aix-la-Chapelle (Aachen).

It is reported from Amsterdam that German farmers have been ordered not to make butter or cheese for their own use.

RECORD S.A. MAIZE CROP

CAPETOWN, TO-DAY.

THE LATEST RETURNS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN MAIZE CROPS SHOW A RECORD YIELD OF 28,000,000 BAGS, OF WHICH 18,000,000 BAGS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT.

A bag contains 200 lbs.

Maize figures largely in the scheme to buy £1,000,000 worth of South African foodstuffs for the Allies.

A comprehensive survey of the Dominion's agricultural resources has been made by the National Supplies Board, which was set up before the outbreak of war. —Reuter.

PILOT AGED 19 WAS HERO OF RAID

London, Sept. 12.

A 19-year-old flying officer was the hero of the British air raid on Wilhelmshaven last week, when a direct hit was registered on a pocket battleship.

His dare-devil aerobatics had already won him the admiration of his fellow pilots.

It was revealed last night that when the British squadron flew over the naval base he dived to within a few hundred feet of the pocket-battleship. Despite intense fire from warships

and batteries and machine-guns, he dived low and dropped his bombs on the warship. A great explosion followed. Then he flew up into the clouds and rejoined his unit.

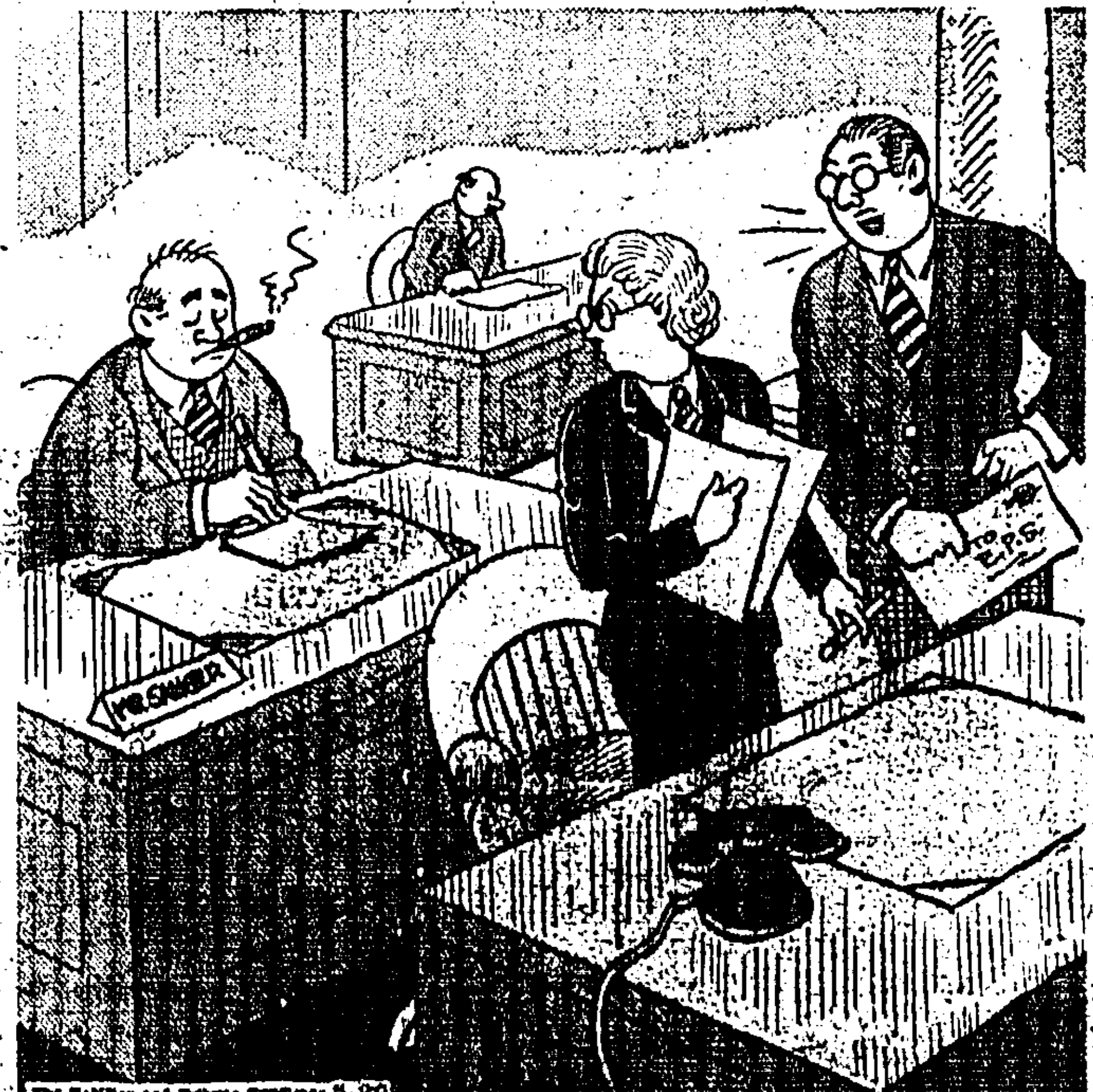
When he returned to England it was found that his plane was riddled with bullets.

When he was congratulated on his success he replied, "Fine; I enjoyed every minute. Please send me on another."

His exploit is regarded as one of the most daring in the annals of the R. A. F.

OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed



Here's Luck

EWO BEER

WOODRING MESSAGE TO LEGION

Chicago, To-day.

The United States Secretary for War, Mr. Harry Woodring, has sent a message to the American Legion Convention at Chicago.

He says: "Should war be forced upon us it will not find us unprepared as in 1918."

"I do not imply that we are getting ready for war or are mobilizing, but it is only a reasonable precaution to ensure that our rights are respected."

"I hate war and war-mongers but the events in the Far East and Europe are a menace to our security."

"The menace to Democracy is to be found all over the world."—Reuter.

SLOVAKIA REBELLIOUS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A DECLARATION THAT THE PEOPLE OF SLOVAKIA SHARED THE IDEALS OF BRITAIN AND FRANCE, WAS MADE BY THE SLOVAK CONSUL IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

The Consul said: "The whole of our territory is under Nazi military occupation, and our voice is temporarily quiet under ruthless rule."

"I protest against this shameful betrayal by the Nazis of treaties and agreements."

"The aims of Britain and France are the same as those of our sorely tried people."—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT BACK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday returned to Washington from his home at Hyde Park, where he had been attending his mother's 85th birthday celebrations.—Reuter.

Mr. E. M. Raymond, of No. 377, Repulse Bay Road, has reported the theft of clothing from his garden yesterday. The clothing was valued at \$35.



Lady members of the Civil Air Guard, an extremely attractive group of competent flyers, line up for the photographer. (Copyright, Fox).

ALLIED EFFORTS TO BUILD UP EASTERN EUROPEAN ANTI-GERMAN FRONT: TWO BIG QUESTION MARKS

(Our Own Correspondent)

(By Telegraph. Received, Sept. 26, 12.10 p.m.)

London, To-day.

THE DIPLOMATIC STRUGGLE in Eastern Europe is engaging the closest attention of all political observers, with the policies and stands of Italy and Soviet Russia as the two great question marks.

British political quarters, discussing the situation, declare that there can be only one end to the war, namely, victory for the Allies.

But, how long the war will last depends, to an appreciable extent, on the success of the Allies in the creation of an Eastern Anti-German Front.

The Allies are now working hard to build up this front, thus cutting off Germany's "Drang Nach Osten," but the policies being pursued by the Soviet and Italy in this connection remain to be clarified.

Mussolini is reported to have put out feelers in an attempt to conclude a non-aggression pact with Turkey.

This step may have been motivated by a desire to strengthen Italy's neutrality, or by a desire to weaken the Anglo-French attempts at creating Eastern Allies.

SOVIET'S ATTITUDE

London Observers also point out that the Soviet Government's interest is identical with that of Rumania and Turkey in seeing that Germany's push to the East is stopped, preventing a German advance to the Mediterranean and the Black Sea.

Nevertheless, the Soviet policy cannot easily be defined, and it is pointed out that M. Molotov made a complaint to the Rumanian Minister recently, concerning alleged "Rumanian provocation." — Our Own Correspondent.

NAZI TRAWLERS SEEK REFUGE

London, To-day.

A message from Oslo reports that many German trawlers have taken refuge in fjords along the Norwegian coast.—Reuter.

SWEDISH STEAMER SUNK

Stockholm, To-day.

The Swedish steamer Silesia was sunk off Stavanger yesterday afternoon.

The crew of nineteen was rescued by another Swedish ship.—Reuter.

TWENTY-SIX DAYS IN SUB. WITHOUT FOOD

Stockholm, To-day.

A Polish submarine arrived in Swedish waters yesterday and the crew have been interned.

The five officers and 49 men had been at sea for 26 days without food, and their emergency rations were exhausted.

Two other Polish submarines have already been interned in Sweden.—Reuter.

STERLING AT THE \$4 LEVEL

New York, To-day.

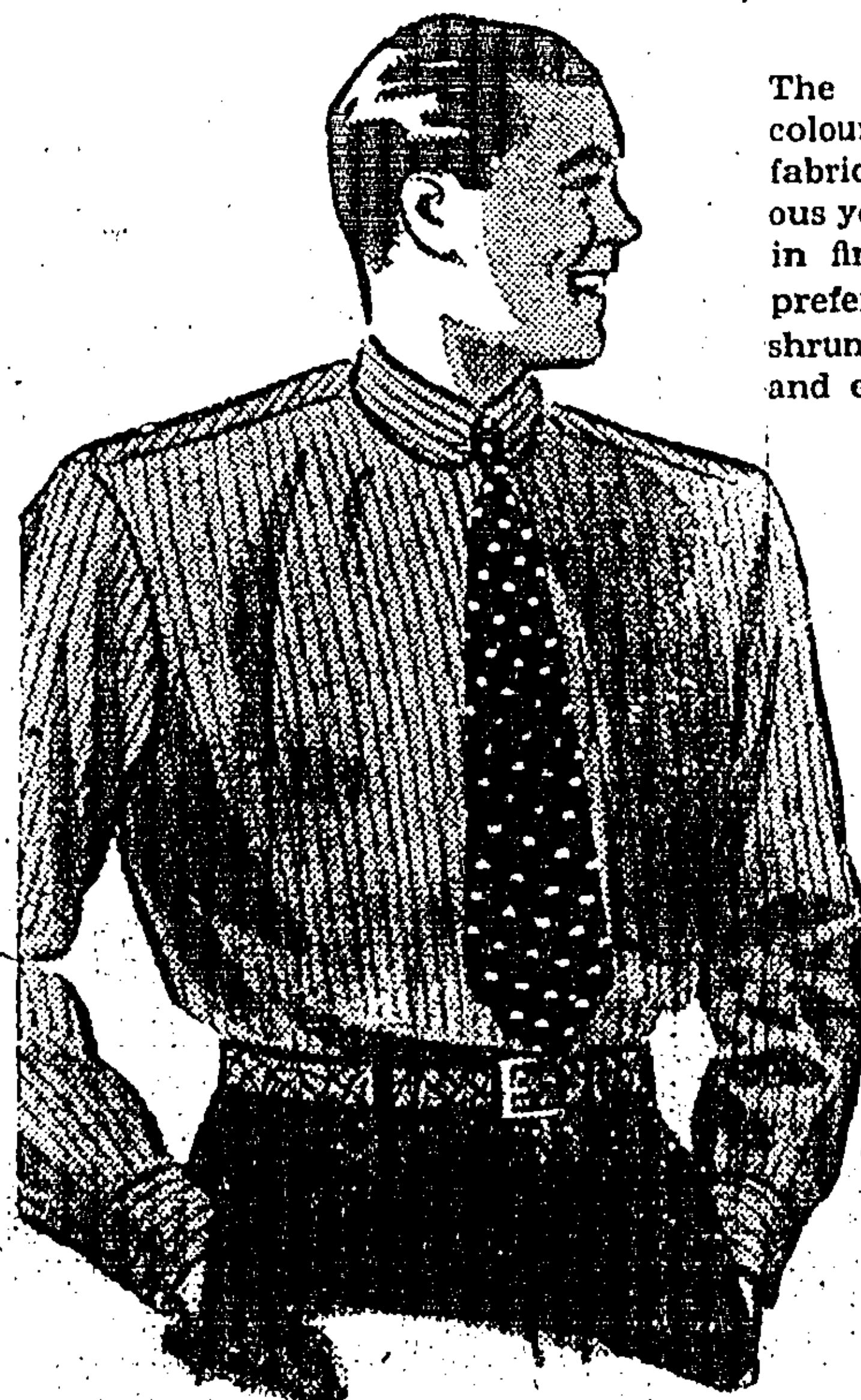
Sterling moved narrowly and regained the four-dollar level at which most business was done, while neutral currencies were generally depressed. The franc continued steady.

Traders are still interested in what action will be taken by Britain regarding the future of sterling.

It is pointed out that the British monetary authorities are certain to have been vested with emergency powers to maintain sterling at any level deemed desirable, and therefore future quotation depends not so much on the balance of payments as on Government policies.—Reuter.

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WESTERN FRONT ACTIVE

VIOLENT BOMBARDMENTS EXCHANGED: FRENCH MAKE IMPORTANT NEW ADVANCES

London, To-day.
THE FRENCH ARE REPORTED to have made advances in the Saar sector, and have wiped out several detachments of the enemy.

Heavy fighting is now going on near Saarbruecken, Zweibruecken and other towns in Germany.

From Basle it is reported that the German forces have met with some success at the east end of the western front, where they have re-occupied points taken by the French three days ago.

The Germans are stated to be attacking a town in French territory from three sides. They are advancing behind tanks and are driving north-east.

The French are on the defensive in this sector, but a little further west are trying to cut off outer forts of the Siegfried Line.

In the Vosges region, the German tanks advanced rapidly for a few kilometres, but were forced to retreat when the French artillery opened up amongst them.

GERMAN VERSION

A German communique merely says: "There was activity at isolated points by observers and artillery."

In Paris, it is again reported that Hitler and General von Brauchitsch, the German commander-in-chief, have arrived on the western front, and it is possible that the German activity has been timed to coincide with their appearance.—Reuter.

AIR BATTLES

Paris, To-day.
 Last night's communique states that there has been activity of advanced elements east of the Saar.

There was strong enemy artillery action in the same region.

The communique adds: In aerial battles on the front yesterday, our pursuit patrols were twice engaged with the enemy air forces, who were superior in number.

"Several German pursuit planes were brought down, two of them falling in our territory."—Reuter.

BOTH SIDES LOSE PLANES

Paris, To-day.
 French planes which flew over the German lines yesterday, mainly on reconnaissance, were engaged by German fighters.

Machines on both sides were brought down.—Reuter.

MORE ACTIVITY

London, To-day.
 Paris messages, which are not confirmed by official quarters, state that there has been more activity on the Rhine between Strasbourg and Basle.—Reuter.

FORMER FAR EAST R.A.F. MAN BELIEVED KILLED

London, To-day.
 Squadron Leader S. S. Murray, formerly Assistant Air Attache to the British Embassy in China, who was in one of the British Embassy cars machine-gunned between Nanking and Shanghai in October, 1937, is reported missing, believed killed, in the latest R.A.F. casualty list.—Reuter.

NEWS LACKING FROM POLAND

London, To-day.
 While there was no news yesterday of actual fighting in Poland, a message from Bucharest says that the Rumanian authorities have interned President Moscicki of Poland and Marshal Smigly-Rydz, the Polish commander-in-chief.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

WITH THE B.E.F. IN FRANCE

London, To-day.

Somewhere in France "Eye-Witness" writes: "To-day I visited the British troops billeted in little villages, farms and castles in the depth of the French countryside.

"So well are they distributed that you could drive through the area without noticing any concentration of troops.

"The French pay a warm tribute to the conduct of the British, an old peasant remarking "I don't believe I've lost a single apple."

"Officers who fought in the last war remark on the fraternising of French and British troops as a marked difference between 1914 and 1939.

"They drink together in cafes, share cigarettes and try to get to know each other as never in the last War."—Reuter.

NOT AT ALL SURPRISING

"I shall award you \$5 from the Poor Box to compensate you for your lost goods," said Mr. E. Himsworth this morning when commending Tong Thum, 27, hawker, for arresting a the snatcher.

The snatching was seen by the hawker, who chased and arrested the man. But his own goods were stolen or lost while he was chasing snatcher.

FRENCH TROOPS TAKE THE INITIATIVE

Paris, To-day.

AFTER WEEKS of comparative inactivity, the French artillery moved up batteries and French troops have taken the initiative in strengthening positions all along the front line.

The operations, though not on a large scale, are considered by well-informed military circles to be particularly interesting as they have enabled the French to secure good observation points, especially in the Blies area and on the rugged Haardt massif.

The French reception of the German counter-attacks of the past two days appears to have discouraged the enemy who are refraining from further activity and are restricting themselves to artillery fire in the Zweibruecken area.

VIOLENT BOMBARDMENT

While hitherto there has only been occasional bursts, yesterday it was reported that a violent bombardment was exchanged over the Rhine.

Air battles over the German lines yesterday proved the quality of the French machines. The weather was ideal for artillery spotting and aerial photography and reconnaissance, and artillery co-operation aircraft protected by fighters flew over the German lines.

AIR DUELS

A series of air duels with German fighters proved the speed and strength not only of French fighters but also of the bombers, which were too fast for the German fighters.

The German losses in these fights are conservatively estimated to be at least as great as the French.—Reuter.

ITALY AND DODECANESE ISLANDS

Rome, To-day.

There is no confirmation of reports that Italy is withdrawing troops from the strategic Dodecanese islands, but Italian officials say that "it might be possible."—Reuter.

BUSINESS MAN FOR MINISTRY OF FOOD

London, To-day.

Lord Perry has been appointed Business Adviser to the Ministry of Food.

The Ministry of Food, when it takes over full control of essential foodstuffs, will become a large trading organisation.

In the Great War, the trading accounts of the Ministry of Food in the period 1917/21, totalled nearly £1,000,000,000, of which over £800,000,000 were devoted to the purchase of foodstuffs.

With such large financial and trading transactions in view, the Minister has thought it desirable to secure, at the outset of the Ministry's career the advice of a business man.

Lord Perry is Chairman of the Ford Motor Company and is also a director of the National Provincial Bank and the Slough Estate.

During the Great War, Lord Perry was Director of the Agricultural Machinery Division of the Food Production Department.

It was this Division which acquired and operated a large fleet of agricultural tractors which played such an important part in ploughing-up in 1917/18.

Later he became Deputy Controller of the Mechanical Warfare Department and Director of Traction in the Ministry of Munitions.—British Wireless.

FRANCO-SOVIET TALK IN PARIS

Paris, To-day.

The Soviet Ambassador, M. Suritz, yesterday saw the French Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office.—Reuter.

FRANCE SAYS IT WITH FLOWERS TO BRITISH UNIT

London, To-day.

BUNCHES OF FLOWERS on the radiator caps and behind the drivers of cars, and of big British lorries humming along the country roads testify to the welcome given to British A.A. units comparable to that accorded the Army and Air Force, writes the British "Eye-Witness" at the headquarters of the A.A. Unit which was among the first British troops which reached France.

The men say that whole towns turned out to greet them with flowers and kisses.

Headquarters is situated in an old chateau whose owner is a portly old aristocrat who potters about amiably watching his British guests with indulgent interest.

So far there has not been a single alarm and gunners spend their time finding new methods of improving their emplacements and camouflage.—Reuter.

GERMAN TRADE MISSION BOUND FOR MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

A German trade and economic mission is arriving in Moscow in the near future to discuss details of an agreement for developing trade between the two countries under the Soviet-German agreement.—Reuter.

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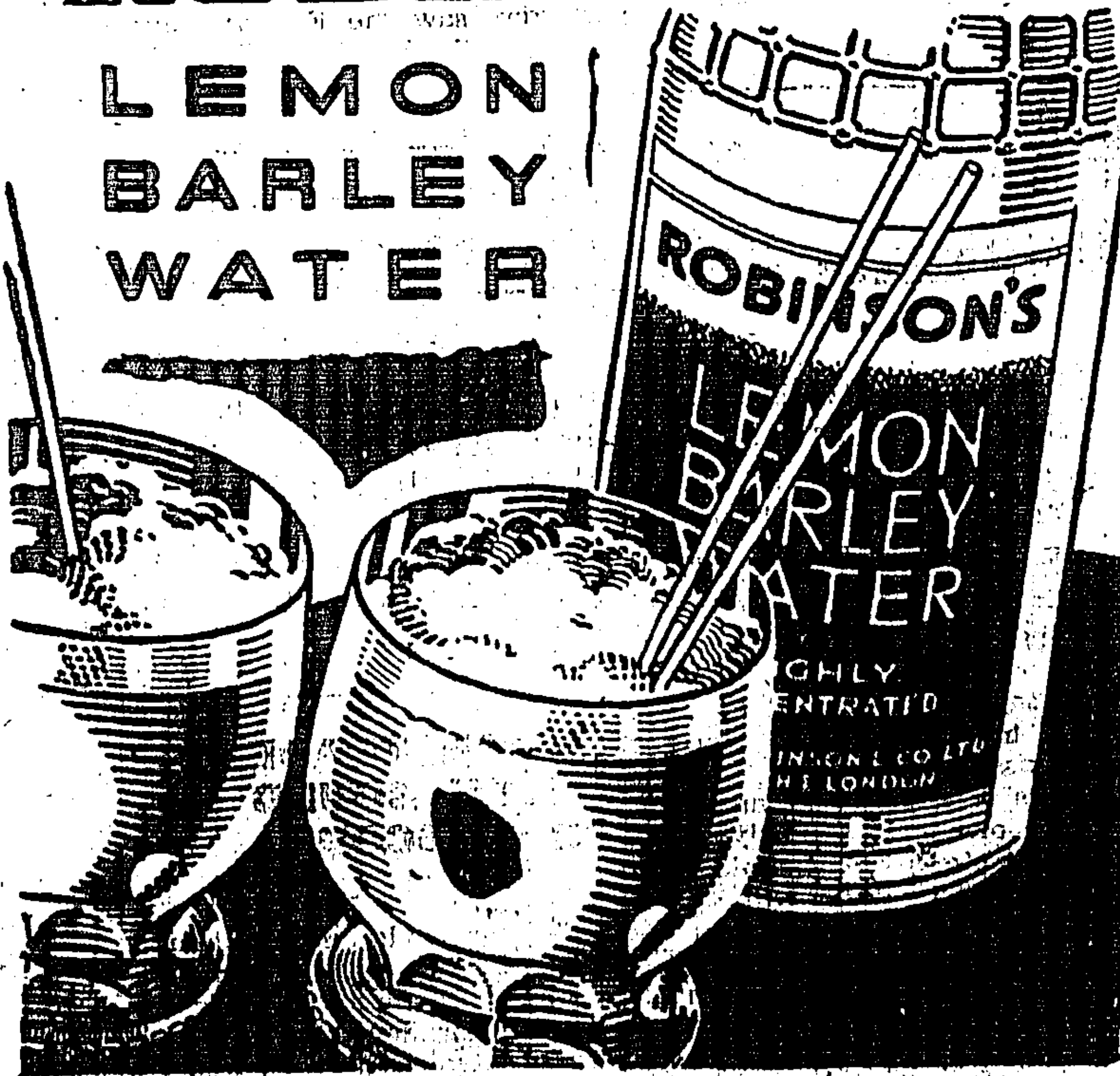
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

DANZIG SPEECH

Herr Hitler, if he has any thought of paving the way to an early peace, is surely going the wrong way about it when he delivers himself of such speeches as that which he made at Danzig. By some it is regarded as the preliminary to his issuance of a "peace ultimatum." If that is indeed his idea he is sadly mistaken, for not all the blustering vehemence with which he endeavours to present the German case, based on what has been most aptly described as a tissue of lies can destroy the impression which perusal of his speech creates that it is the desperate endeavours of a man convinced of his own guilt to persuade the world at large of his innocence. The speech is clumsy, maladroit, and quite the type of thing calculated to confirm the Allies in their determination, that his system must be destroyed before there can be any hope of peace in the world. The history of the course of events which ultimately led to war has been described by Herr Hitler in a manner so twisted from the actual facts of the case, that he probably convinced his hearers in Danzig that Germany was the victim of Polish aggression, with the Germans humane, and the Poles barbarian. It reads strangely coming from the head of a Government whose high command, recently issued an announcement relative to the bombing of

open towns, villages, and hamlets in Poland, and who himself in his speech presages the possible extension of inhumane warfare. With thousands of square miles of Polish territory overrun by overwhelmingly strong German forces despite the gallant defence of the numerically inferior Poles, with millions of people plunged into despair, and misery of the action of German forces in the territory of another nation, how can any reasonably minded person believe anything but that the aggressor was Germany, which having failed to bring the Poles to a position of "Stand and deliver," sought to obtain by force the satisfaction of her outrageous demands? The geography of Europe clearly condemns such utterances as being untrue. The Poles did not invade Germany; Germany did invade Poland, and not all the contortions of a twisted reasoning can possibly prove anything else.—"North China Daily News."

NAZI STRATEGY

It is to be remembered that the entire Nazi strategy is built upon a victorious "lightning war." Insofar as the campaign against the small but gallant Polish Army is concerned, this German strategy has been successful. But with the passage of each day, Germany's advantage will decrease and the German people must resign themselves to a protracted struggle against a rich, well-armed and increasingly aroused democratic line-up. In such a war, wherein economic staying power plays as much a part as military strength, Germany's prospect of a victory is indeed dark. At Danzig, Chancellor Hitler probably had the choice between peace and a prolonged war. He could have said in effect to the world: "I wanted Danzig. I have now achieved my original objective. Let's call off this war and arrange for a permanent peace arrangement for Europe." We suspect that this suggestion coming from Chancellor Hitler, might have had an outside chance of being made the basis of a peace settlement. It would in any case have afforded an

opening for mediation by neutral powers.

This chance is now past. From now on, Chancellor Hitler will probably find that he must let his opponents, the Allied Powers, take the initiative in peace as well as on the battlefield. For Germany, this is exceedingly bad poker playing.—"China Press."

U.S. WEIGHT

Every ounce of weight America can throw into the balance for peace is more important now than it possibly can be later.

Repeal of the arms embargo, and restoration of the cash-and-carry provisions broadened to include arms as well as other commodities, appear the most likely safeguards for peace abroad and at home. Reports from Washington indicate increasing sentiment for elimination of the arms embargo, though much of this opinion would be content with a mere return to traditional concepts of neutrality based on international law. The disquieting aspect of this possibility is that these concepts were not adequate to the task of keeping America out of war in 1917 and might not be in the future.

Even so, straight repeal seems preferable to keeping a remnant of the 1937 law on the books.

This remnant merely hinders the giving of aid to the defensive alliance in time to ward off the first blows of war. It does not prohibit American ships from entering danger zones, which entry was one of the causes of American participation in the World War, since it allowed American ships to be where torpedoes could reach them, and to be there for reasons which made it almost inevitable that torpedoes would reach them. It

does on the other hand stand as a symbol of Congressional unwillingness to join the President in his efforts to strengthen the hands of the peace front in Europe, and as an encouragement to possible aggressors to assume that if they strike fast and hard enough they may gain their ends before aid could reach their opponents. "Christian Science Monitor."

BLACK-OUTS

In future rehearsals of war-time conditions, when more particularly designed to try how far concealment can be carried, it will be necessary to choose times when the life of cities is in full activity and to enforce regulations that will apply to all business, transport and the ordinary household. Only then will it be possible to say how far safety is to be found in darkness while people carry on their normal activities. Thursday's experiment has served its secondary purpose in revealing defects that can be remedied without any great difficulty or inconvenience, while the willing co-operation given by the civil population on this occasion in darkening buildings has provided a nucleus of protection that can be rapidly extended to every home. A great city like London has natural difficulties in hiding itself, since it stands on a river which cannot be disguised, and will continue to serve as a guide to raiders. That weakness can be covered by additional strength in the defence. Other deficiencies in the protecting screen that darkness offers are within our capacity to remedy and, with the knowledge now obtained of what they are, the Government departments concerned with protecting the civilian can properly ask for fuller participation in making a complete success of the basis of a peace settlement. It any further "black-outs" that may be arranged.—"Daily Telegraph."

GLOBAL MINDEDNESS

To be global minded is to have a world view of men and movements. . . . Something within us responds to a statement in the New Testament, namely, "and God made of one every nation of men to dwell on the face of the earth."

There should be a globe not only in every schoolroom but also in every home where there are growing children. . . . The founder of Christianity thought in global terms and when his followers think in anything less, the Christian movement shrivels and suffers. Said Jesus, "The field is the world."—Edgar De Witt Jones.

FRENCH BOMBERS RAID ZEPPELIN FACTORY

BERNE, TO-DAY.

ALTHOUGH DENIED BY THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND, CONFIRMATION OF THE ALLIED AIR RAID ON THE ZEPPELIN WORKS AT FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, ON LAKE CONSTANCE, IS CONTAINED IN A STATEMENT BY THE SWISS GENERAL STAFF.

The statement says that explosions, followed by anti-aircraft fire, were heard on the Swiss side of the lake.

The raiders, it is believed, were French air force bombers.

The raid lasted from 8.15 to 11.30 in the evening.—Reuter.

RAID CONFIRMED

Berne, To-day.

Another communique issued by the Swiss General Staff says that the French air raid on Friedrichshafen started soon after 9 p.m. and ended between 10 p.m. and midnight.

Other reports from different parts of the Swiss-German frontier confirmed the extent of the raid.—Reuter.

AND ADMITTED

London, Later.

The Nazi radio has at last admitted the French air raid on Friedrichshafen, though earlier broadcasts from Germany had denied it.

From Berne, it is now learned that two separate attacks were carried out by French bombers.—Reuter.

EXPLOSIONS IN GERMANY

London, To-day.

Two further explosions occurred in Germany yesterday.

One occurred in an unspecified factory in Hanover, where 10 were killed and 17 injured.

The other explosion, reported in a message from Kaunas (Lithuania), took place in a chocolate factory near Berlin. Several were hurt.

In Sunday's coal mine explosion, 17 were killed and 14 seriously injured, according to an Amsterdam despatch.—Reuter.

R.A.F. RAID: LEAFLET MESSAGE

London, To-day.

The leaflets dropped by the R.A.F. in their latest "raid" over Germany, stated:

"The British and French Navies have swept German merchant shipping off the seas.

"Your supply of a range of essential materials has almost gone, and you can no longer purchase from neutral countries, as in 1914, as you cannot pay cash.

"Night after night the Royal Air Force has shown its power by flying far into German territory."—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S "YOUNG CONTEMPTIBLES"

A military observer, attached to the Field Force in France, sums up the impression made by the British troops in following words: "We have an Army that lacks nothing of the fighting spirit of those who were described in earlier days as 'Contemptible'."

"It is impossible to encounter them without a feeling of pride and confidence that the Army will acquit itself with honour."—British Wireless.

RED ARMY SHOOT LANDLORDS

Moscow, To-day.

A communique issued by the Red Army says that Polish "officers and landlords" who resisted the Soviet forces at Grodno have been shot.

The Poles barricaded themselves in the Cathedral at Grodno and held out for two days.

Their snipers, it is stated, killed several Red Army officers.

When the Cathedral surrendered, the Red Army "shot the officers and noblemen and spared the other defenders."—Reuter.

OILFIELDS OCCUPIED

London, To-day.

A Red Army communique issued in Moscow states that Soviet forces have occupied the main oil fields centre in southern Poland.—Reuter.

ROBBERS FRUSTRATED

AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO ROB A CARPENTER'S SHOP AT TSUN WAN, EARLY THIS MORNING WAS MADE BY TWO ARMED ROBBERS.

At 2.30 a.m., Cheung Ping-wong, 47, master of the Hop Cheung carpenter's shop, and his wife, were awakened by a noise, and found two men in the shop, one holding a torch.

Cheung and his wife seized the man with the torch and shouted for help. The other immediately ran to the rear of the shop and escaped.

The robber with the torch managed to free himself and also escaped.

When the police arrived, they discovered a loaded five-chambered revolver on the floor.

Cheung was found suffering from a wound in the back presumably caused by a dagger.

BRITISH R.A.F. CASUALTIES

London, To-day.

The second Air Ministry casualty communique issued last night announces as "casualties on various dates," three killed, one previously reported missing now reported missing (believed killed), and twenty missing.—British Wireless.

BRITAIN'S FOOD SUPPLIES

London, To-day.

Scientist experts are to help in the campaign for ensuring Britain adequate food supplies.

The Agricultural Research Council is to have the assistance of a special body of these experts.—Reuter.

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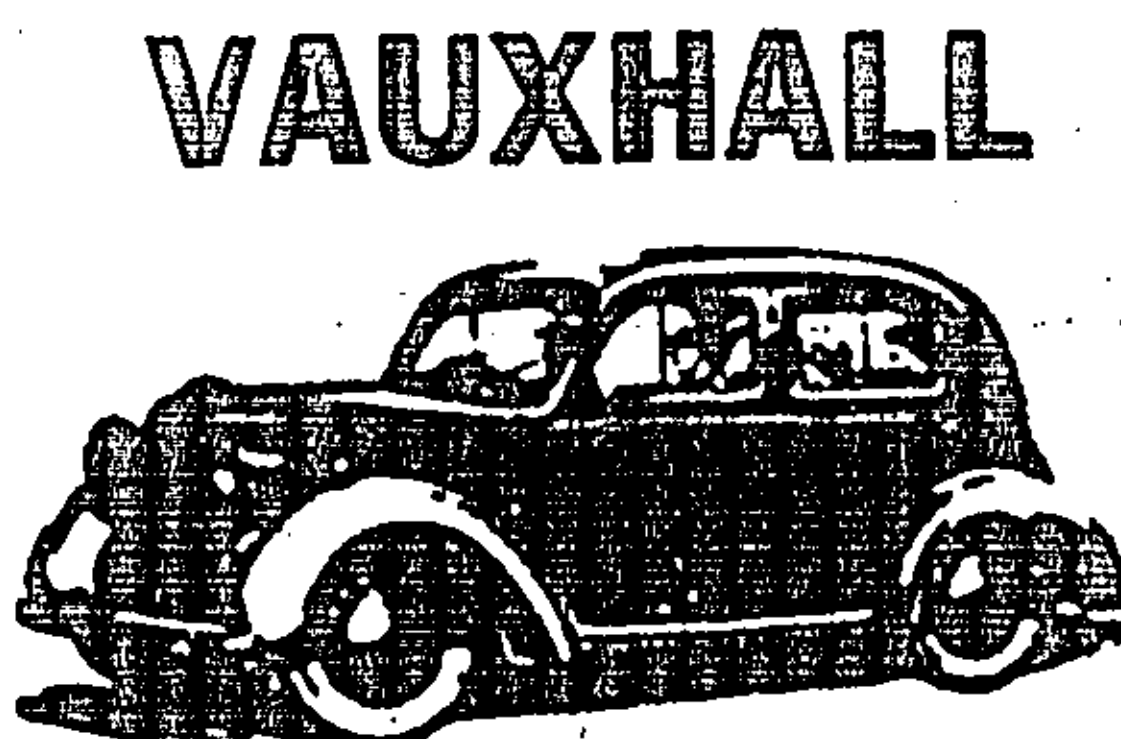
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If you want to go to Nanking, be sure it is for no better reason than sightseeing. When I made the trip, persons with good reasons had been waiting in Shanghai for months. Professing only idle curiosity, I got my military pass immediately. I must have looked harmless.

Getting from Shanghai's International Settlement to the train had complications. At the Garden Bridge my driver stopped and handed me my bag. The mysterious disappearance of two or three Chinese chauffeurs in the Japanese area—they were offering unwelcome competition—makes taxi drivers from the Settlement decidedly unwilling to leave the foreign concession. Having no choice but to walk across the bridge, I made my way to the other side through the jam of honking trucks and chattering Chinese. The next problem was to find a Japanese taxi.

Eventually one of '34 vintage appeared, and getting in, we started bumping toward the station. The closer we approached the fewer were the buildings standing. The North Station was in the path of Shanghai's most severe fighting. Hence a shack now takes its place. Some 150 refugees, haggard and tired, were waiting to buy tickets. Probably not more than half would be successful. To the left, soldiers with packs, water canteens and bayonets were lining up, and toward the ticket window a few Japanese businessmen were elbowing their way against odds considerable even for a Japanese.

When the gates opened, to my surprise I found the train was Japanese—a straight-backed-seated duplicate of the coaches I had been riding the last six months. Segregation followed. Soldiers and refugees went to third-class, cars, and businessmen to the second class, along with three or four Chinese converts to the New Reform Government, a Roman Catholic priest from the United States, and myself. Pulling out of the station, I glimpsed a group from the Japanese Women's Defence Society giving a final "banzai" to the soldiers.

The first hour was through "No Man's Land"—one year later. Except for the fact that the streets have been partially cleared of debris, little has changed since the fighting moved on. Certainly only slight reconstruction. Leaving the city behind, we presently came into farm country. In field after field winter wheat stood 12 inches high, but the farms were devoid of human life.

Six hours after leaving Shanghai, we arrived at the occupied capital. Carrying my bag off the train (it was hardly the place to except redcaps), I discovered to my amazement a line for baggage inspection forming at the station exit. But why? Guns and "dangerous thoughts," I learned.

The Japanese army and its bombers did a thoroughly effective piece of work in crushing Nanking. From Chiang's capital and symbol of a reuniting China, it is now reduced to 300,000 refugees too poor to leave, to empty Government buildings and razed homes. It was my first experience of being in an annihilated city. The great reinforced-concrete Government buildings, suggestive for size

of some of Washington's structures, had withstood heavy bombardment. A gaping wall, a crushed roof, but nevertheless the buildings remained intact. Little is left, however, of the shopping district. Most of the stores were brick, and under bombing, brick goes down in one formless heap. It is possible in this district to walk along block after block where all that remains is a half wall here and a few ground pillars further on. Turning off on a side road I found myself amid acres of complete devastation—everything razed. Chinese houses of the peasant and middle class type were never designed for durability. They collapse on the detonation of a bomb.

Outside the Chinese section, the city is lifeless except for the rumble of army trucks and the drone of bombers. Wealthy Chinese have not returned, and the foreigners number exactly twenty-three.

The Japanese who are not at their best when doing things foreign style, go down in defeat against the odds in Nanking. Preferring maids to men-servants, they have dismissed the Chinese help and imported young girls from the agrarian districts of Kyushu. The

girls have never seen foreign before. The chastened, no nation tolerated, is one unbombed buildings reared on "bushido," warrior, are above peeling plaster, half ture and heat while special request only your have asked.

Nanking's wall, around, is a thick rock interesting to learn the occupation of the city, for, being sheer, it is possible to scale. Undoubtedly, however, the gates of Japanese army machine entry. Soldiers still trances, subjecting amination and mar Chinese gown offers for a gun.

One cannot leave seeing the Sun Yat-Sen. Since it is outside, obliged to undergo a glorious spring day leading up to the M lightful with the ch

A GENIUS FOR

Some say that the English have a genius for compromise, that they prefer to take things as they come, to make the best of circumstances, and to "muddle through" instead of following some definite rule or plan.

On the whole I think this is true. Like Mollere's Monsieur Jourdain, who talked prose without knowing it, they practice relativity without quite knowing what relativity may be. In their minds it has got mixed up with Einstein and abstruse mathematical calculations about "space" and "time." When one tells them that relativity really means: "It all depends," they are mildly astonished and slightly bored.

I have long put down the English genius for compromise to the fact that they have no climate but only weather. Hence their constant talk of the weather. This summer they have come near to having a climate in the form of constant rain—and they grumble at it. Somebody has remembered what Lord Byron wrote: "That English winter ends in July, to begin again in August." This is a calumny though, like many calumnies, it holds a grain of truth. Yet, here again, relativity creeps in. This "summer," chance has taken me by road from the extreme west to the extreme east of England, and right through the southern Midlands. Where, in theory, the crops ought to have been hopelessly "laid" by storms and cloud-bursts, I have seen splendid fields of upstanding wheat, oats, and barley, with only the belated hay crop looking a bit weary and sorry for itself. Nature seems to have taken things as they came and to have made the best of them.

So it is with our "common" people. The shadow of war has lain upon them, but they have gone on their way uncomplainingly as though it

were all in the day themselves they have else, hardly noticing. Nowhere among the nervousness or "jitter anywhere, thinks of ter of these folk in a

BY WIC STE

somebody, somewhere badly.

Such nervousness or is, might rather the "upper" classes actuals. They, however, ed themselves into which they express the worst comes to the have to go through v exceptions I think ves of nerve-power most untouched. As they are in complete the "common" people relativity in their "Hitler."

This is a curious, significant, phenomenon Nazi-Fascism, of the fending "freedom" a may leave our people not like outlandish nation of words: and dom and "democracy cussion. But say t fellow, Hitler!" and their ears, and oper utter nouns and adje not look well in pr the German nation hugbear, the dis peace of mind.

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full bloom, though this beauty was shared with razed tea-houses. The delicate weeping willows arching the road made a graceful boulevard of green. Presently, turning a sharp corner, I came upon the Memorial. Of striking Chinese architecture, its dazzling white walls and gorgeous blue tile roof stood out starkly against the brown of the hills behind—a magnificent tribute to the Father of the Republic. While distinctly Chinese, it is an expression of modern China. The Ming Tombs, only a twenty-minute drive away, contrast the spirit of the Dragon Throne 400 years ago. A short distance from the Memorial, the brightly coloured, eight-towered pagoda stands—symbol of China's Buddhist heritage from India.

Before leaving Nanking I had luncheon at the American Embassy, which now overlooks a graveyard and refugee camp. Over a meal which might have been cooked in Seattle 6,000 miles away, I could not help reflecting that less than 100 yards from this bit of U. S. A. strife and misery were heralding the birth of a "New Order in East Asia."

ELEANOR M. HADLEY.

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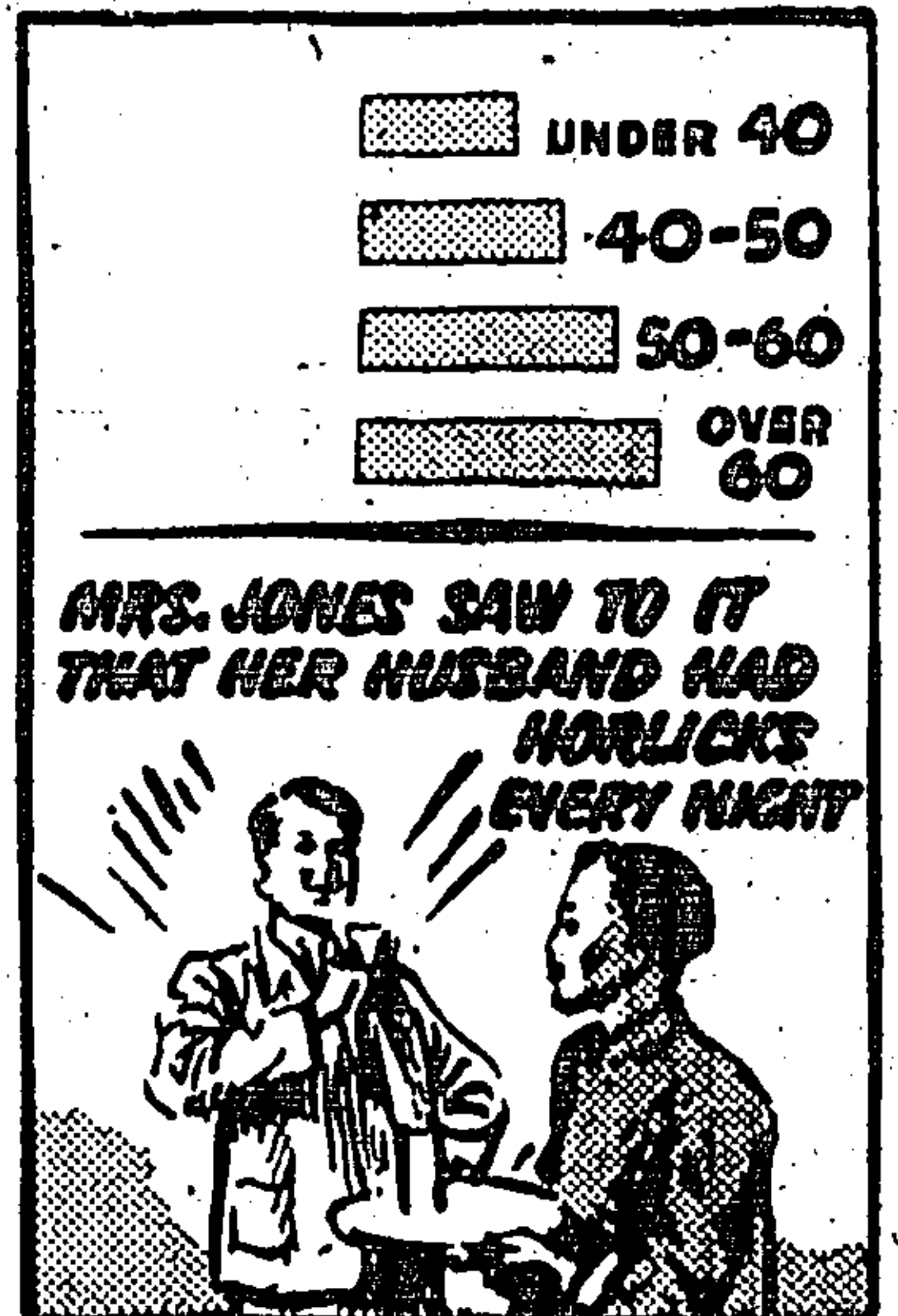
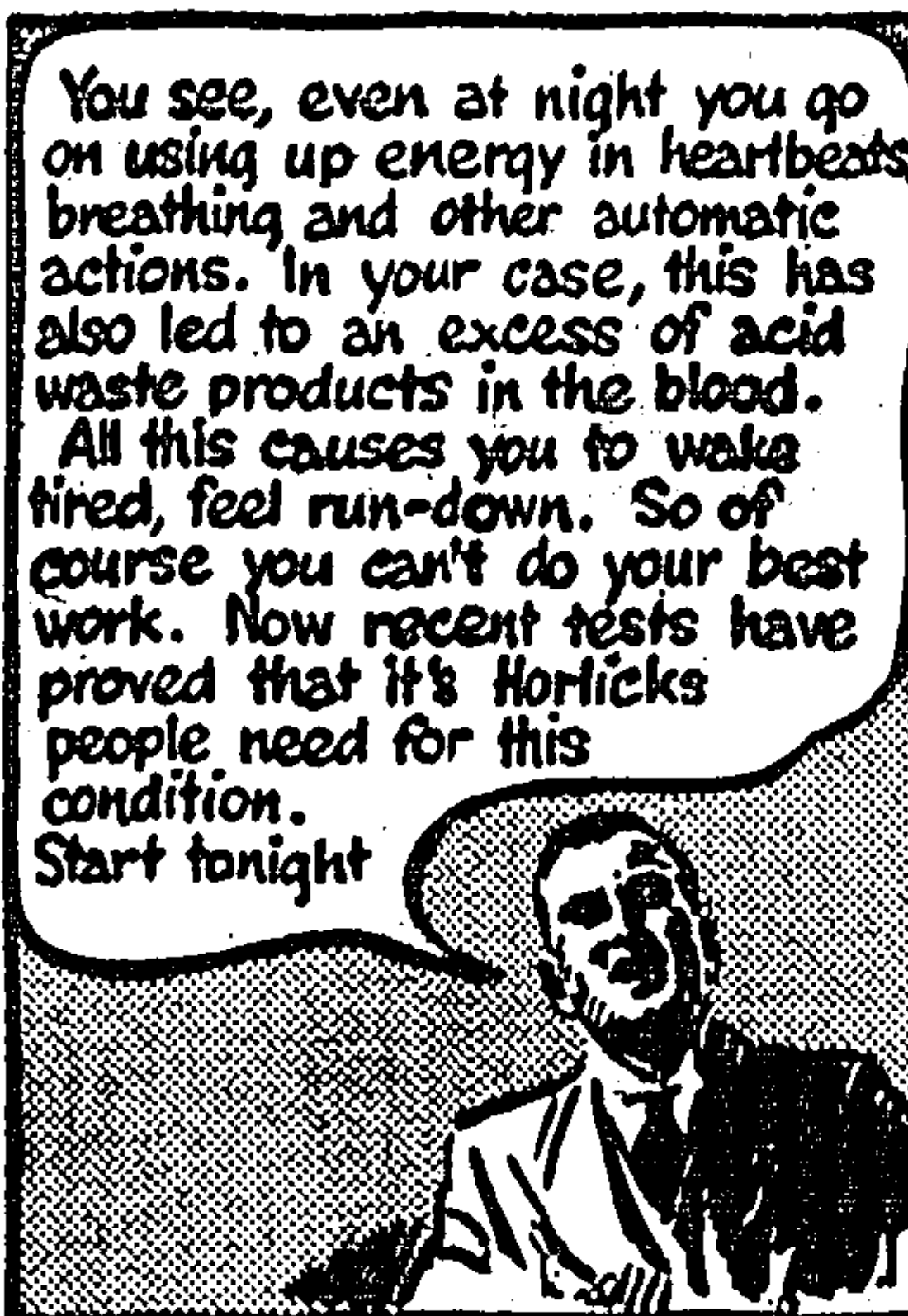
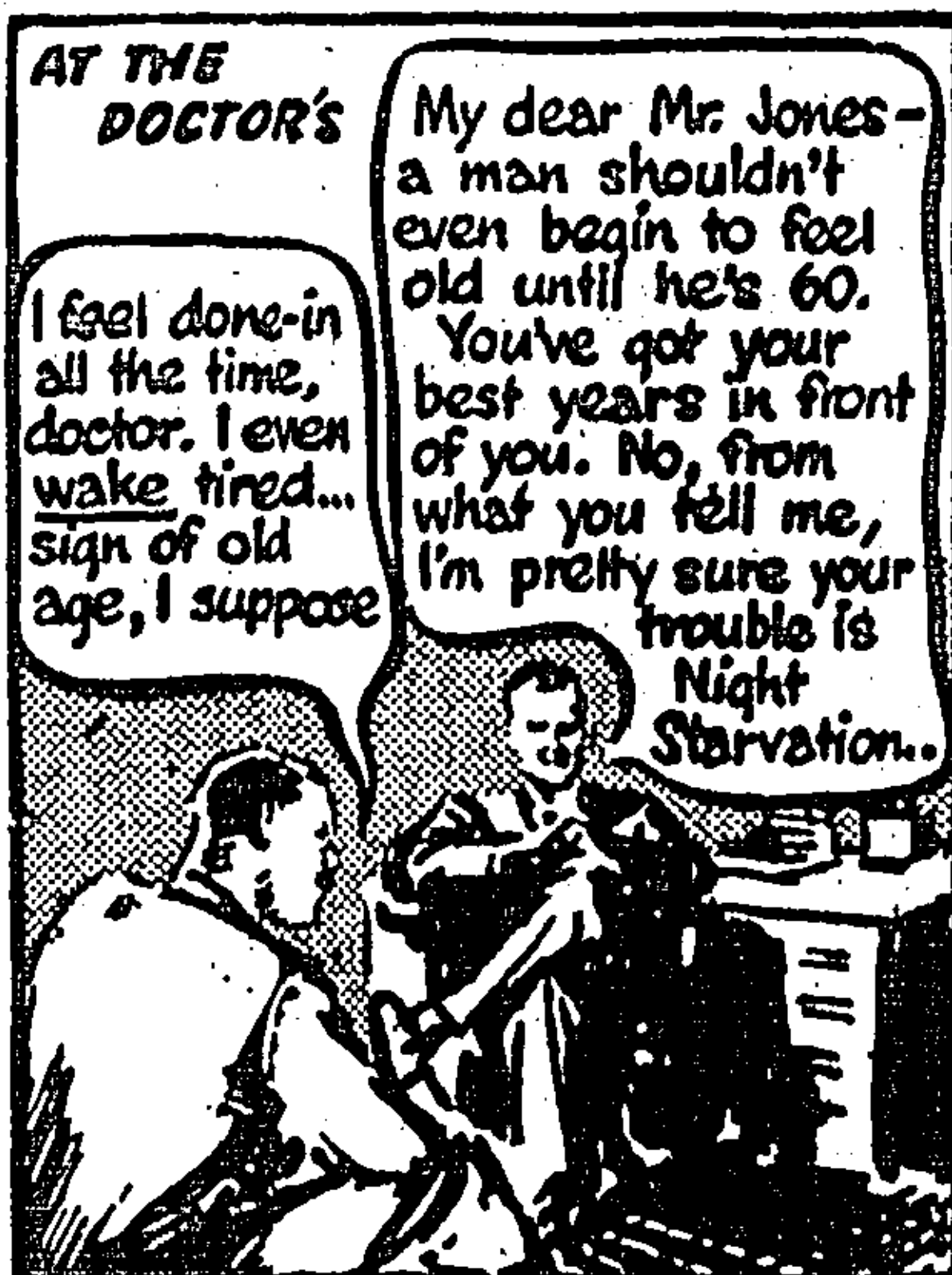
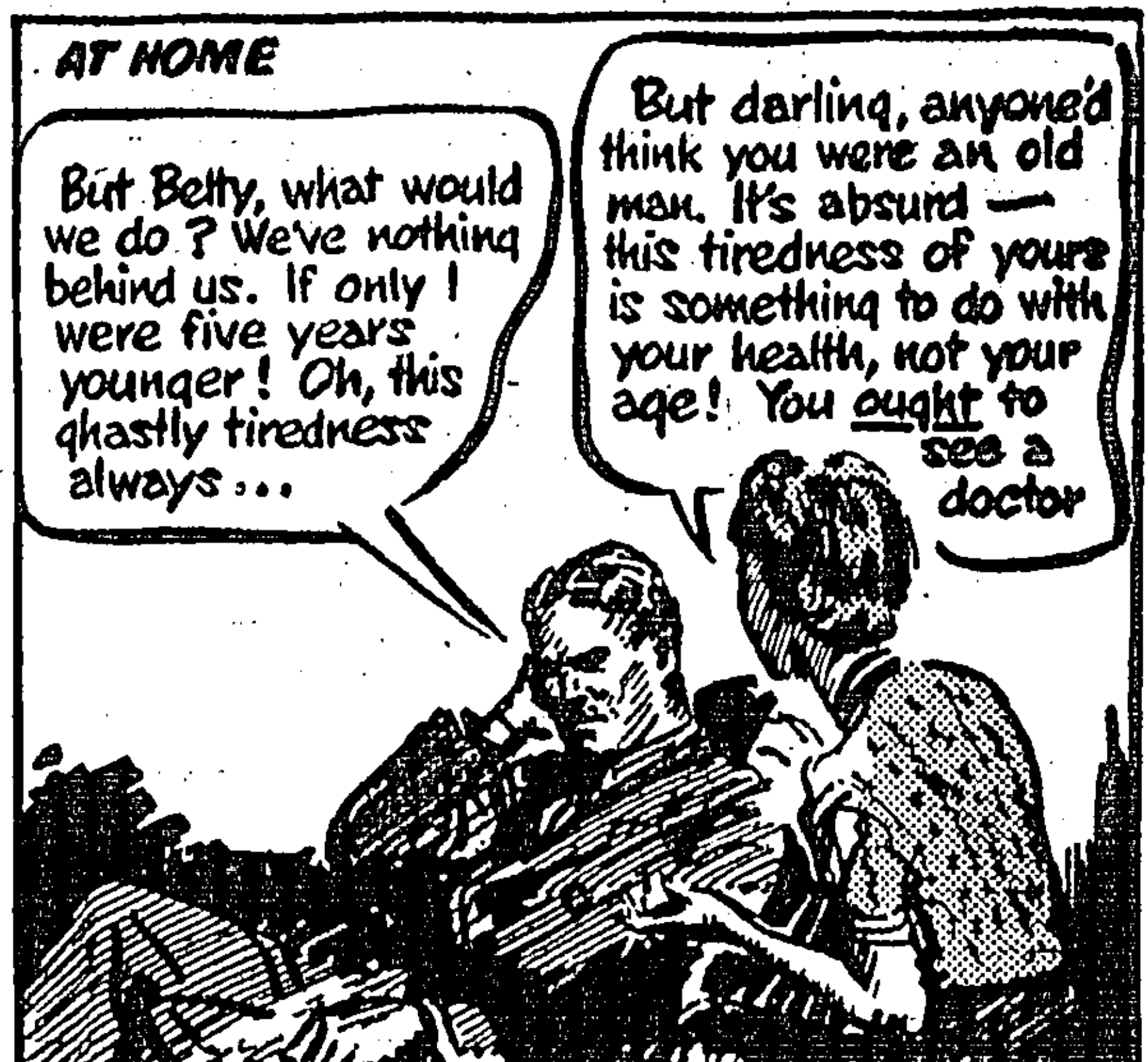
This mood explains the widespread wish that our Government should be strengthened by putting into it men whom we can trust to stand up to "Hitler." It accounts for the angry words on both sides of the House of Commons when Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, rejected the proposal that Parliament should meet at regular intervals during the summer recess. The "country," usually so relative, has come to distrust and to fear the sort of political relativity which it remembers as "appeasement." Now when the English get into this mood they are not far from becoming awkward customers for anybody to deal with.

A question naturally arises how long this mood will last, and whether it would be proof against a lengthy period of strain and uncertainty. Though I should not care to answer the question dogmatically one way or the other, I am inclined to think that there is a psychological element in it that ought not to be overlooked. This element is the tendency of easy-going people to put down their foot and to say: "Thus far and no farther" when they find that their mental indolence, or what they call willingness to give and take, has been misunderstood or deliberately abused. I fancy that this tendency will persist among our people; and, were I in a position to advise "Hitler," I might say: "Beware of those who usually practice relativity when they get something absolute into their minds."

By George McManus



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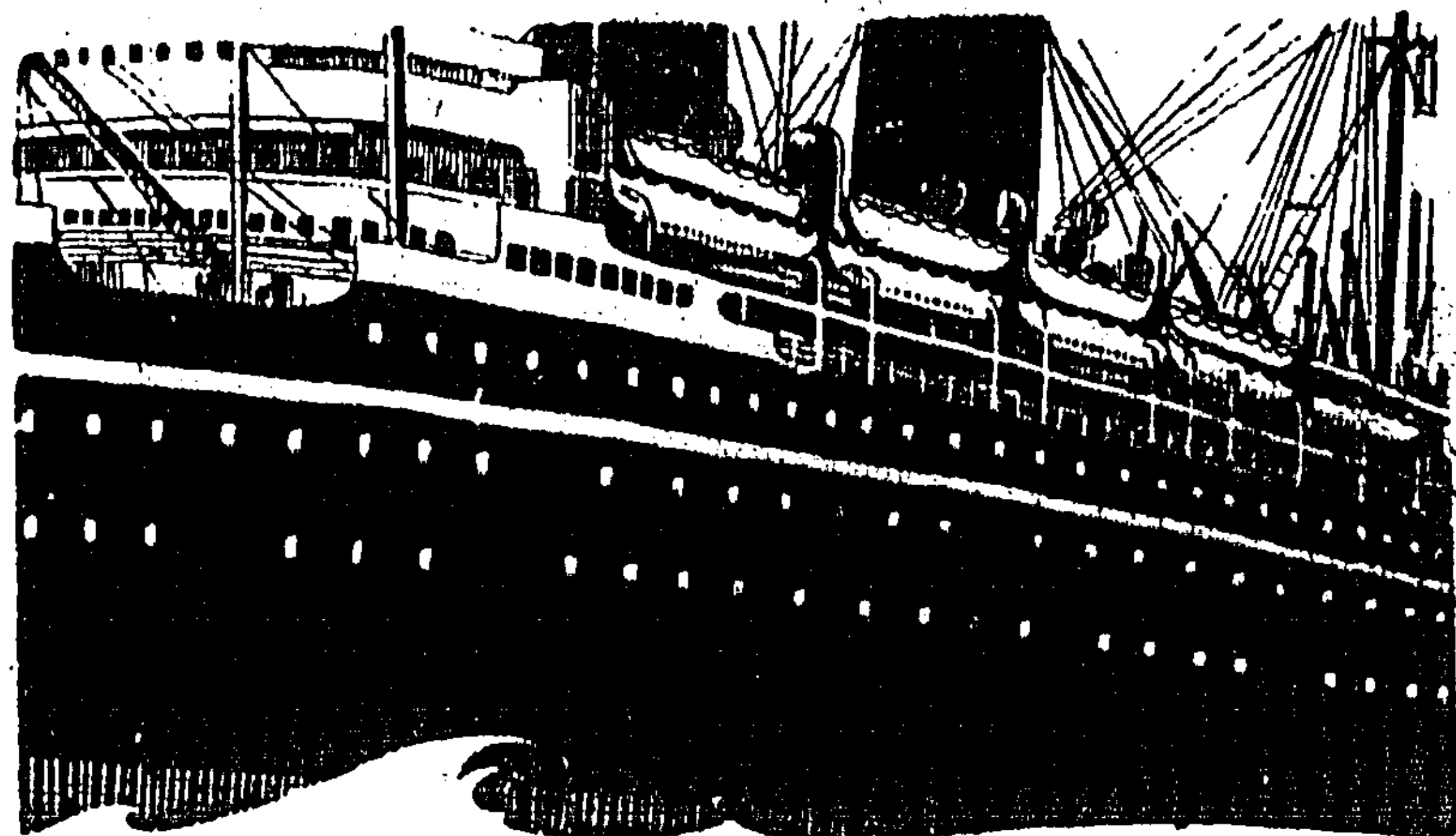
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	K.P.O.	Reg., Wed., Sept. 27, 5.00 p.m.
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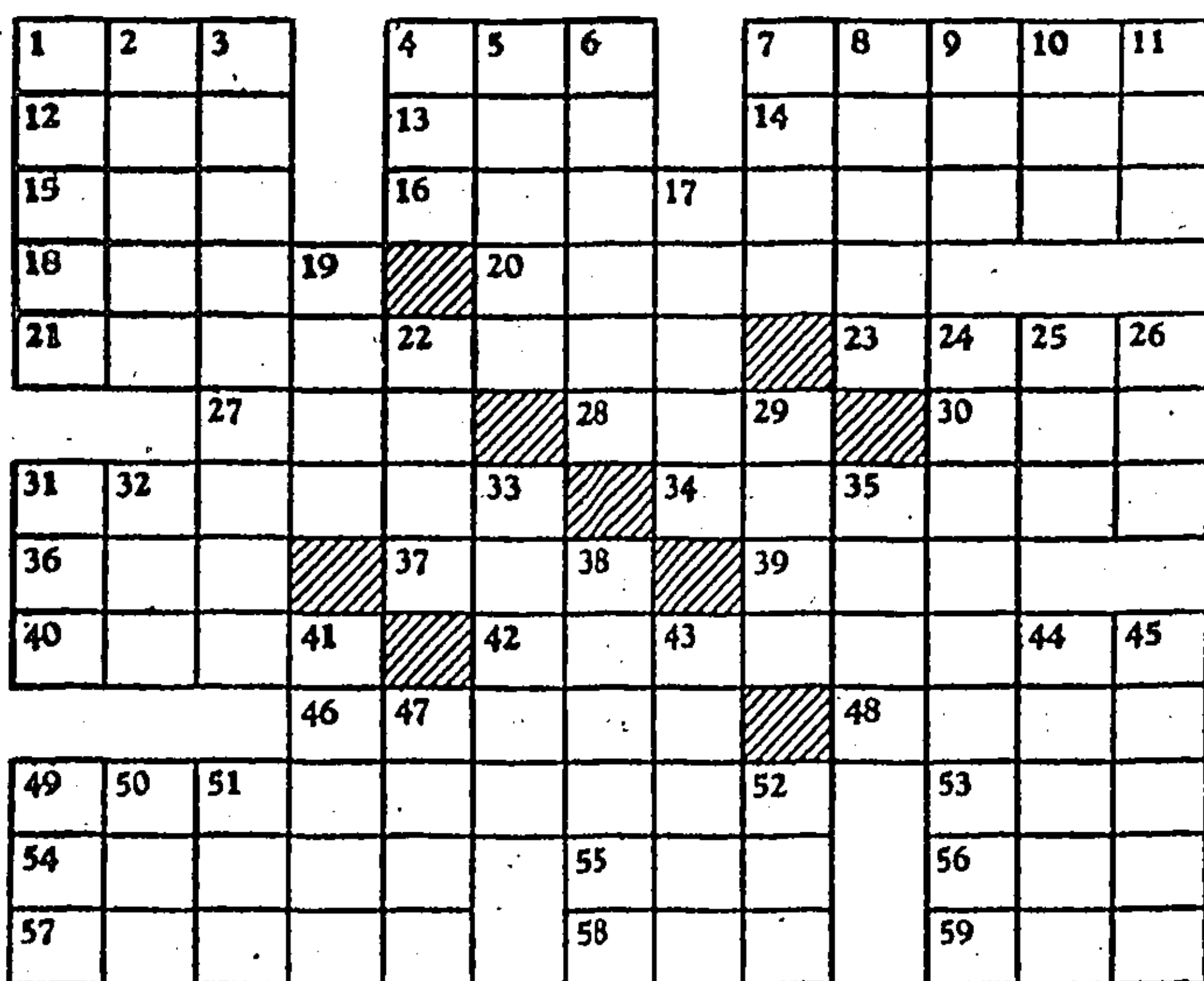
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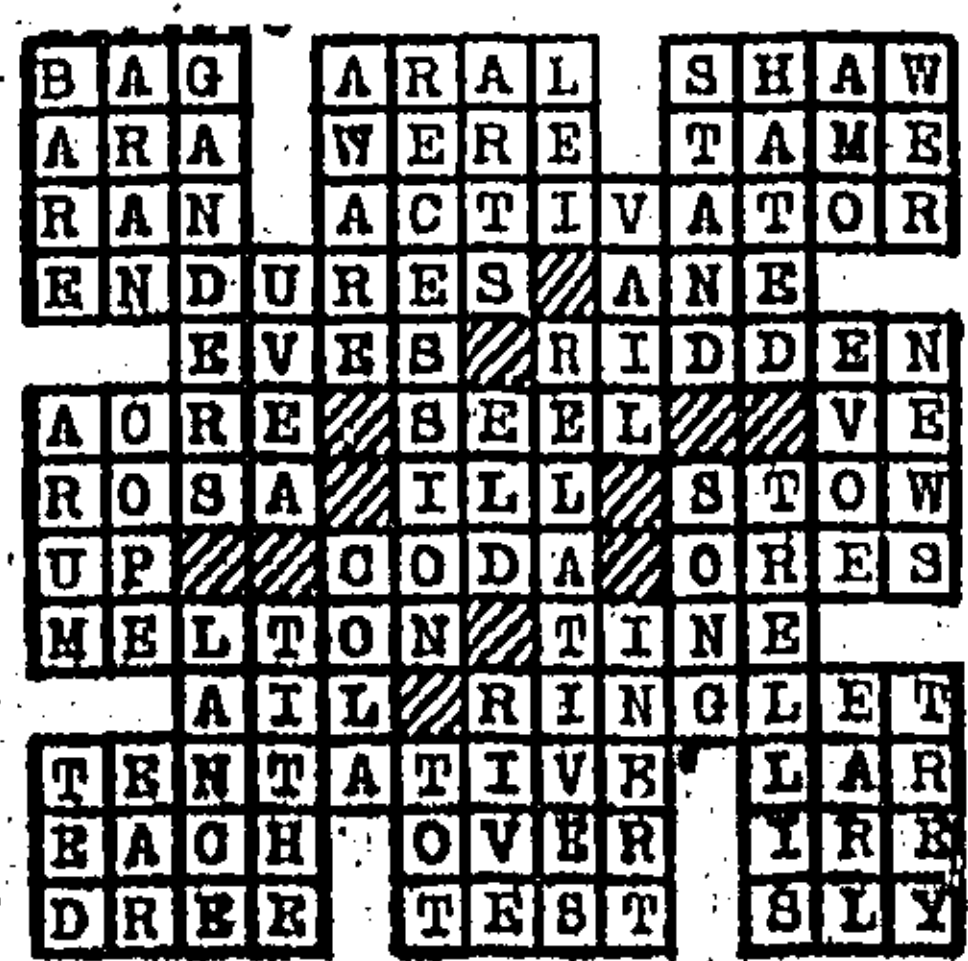
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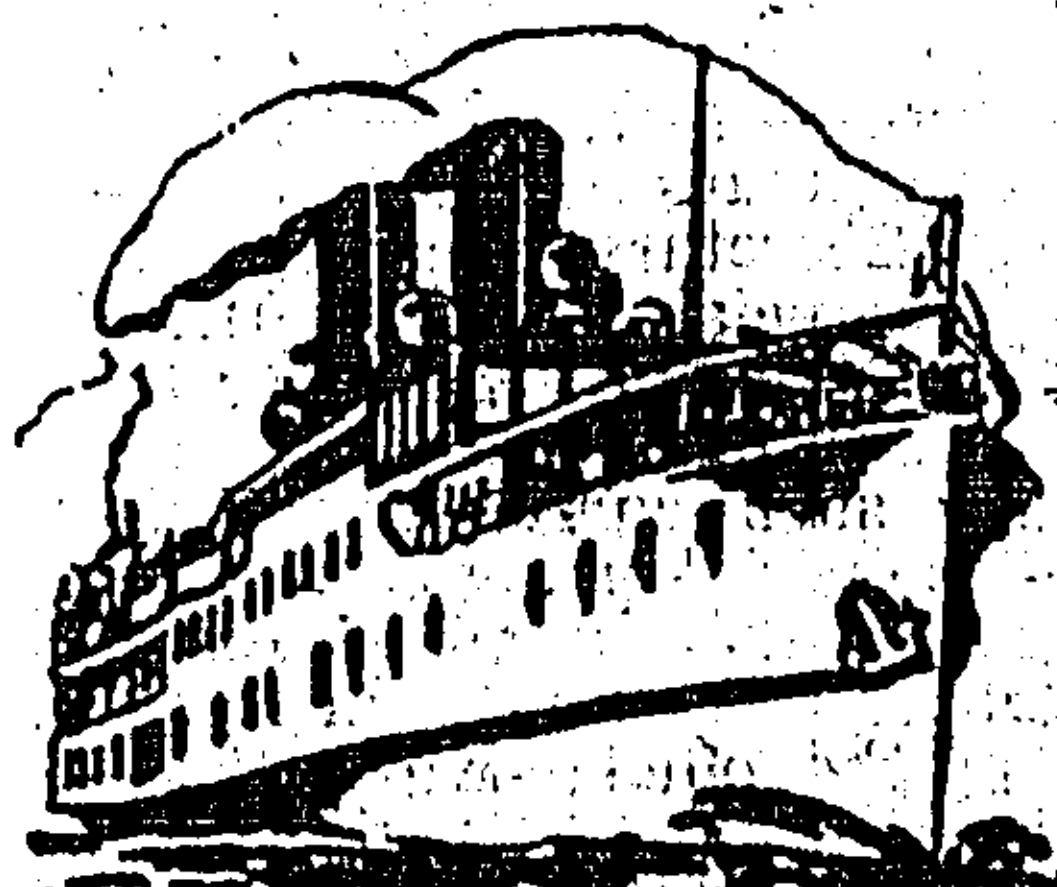
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(2) Every British subject resident in the Colony who at the date on which this Regulation comes into operation is, or after that date becomes, entitled to assign, or to procure the assignment, of any right to receive outside the Colony or the United Kingdom, in respect of any credit or balance at a bank, payment of any amount in a foreign currency to which this Regulation applies, shall, unless the Governor or a person designated by the Governor for the purposes of this Regulation gives him notice to the contrary, do all things necessary for the purpose of assigning that right to the Government or to a person so designated.

The sum payable as consideration for any assignment made in accordance with this paragraph shall be such as may be determined by or on behalf of the Governor.

(3) The preceding provisions of this Regulation shall not impose upon any person an obligation in respect of any currency or right to receive payment of any amount, if—

- (a) He satisfies the Governor or a person designated by the Governor for the purposes of this Regulation that all the persons interested in that currency, other than persons interested therein merely as trustees or merely by virtue of any mortgage, pledge or charge created before the third day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, but including any persons beneficially interested in the currency under a trust, are not British subjects, or
- (b) He satisfies the Governor or a person so designated that the currency or amount, as the case may be, is held or is required for the purpose—
- (i) Of performing a contract made before the third day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, or
- (ii) Of meeting the reasonable requirements of a trade or business carried on in the Colony otherwise than by way of dealing in foreign exchange, or
- (iii) Of defraying reasonable travelling or other personal expenses, or
- (c) He is, in respect of that currency or right, as the case may be, exempted

SOUTH
AFRICA'S
FOOD PLAN

Johannesburg, To-day.
The scheme initiated by the Mayor of Johannesburg to collect £1,000,000 for the purchase of South African foodstuffs for the Allies was yesterday unanimously approved by representatives of the nine municipalities.

The original scheme is being extended to other commodities. It is also intended to compensate South Africans who may suffer as the result of the war. So far subscriptions total £6,000.—Reuter.

12 TIMES
SENTENCED:
AGED 22

With 12 previous convictions, Lau Hon, 22, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth this morning for stealing a quantity of electric wire from the staircase of No. 181, Sai Yee Street.

He was further gaoled for two months for failing to report while under police supervision. Inspector T. K. Whelan, prosecuting, said accused was seen taking the wire from the wall.

JAPANESE
TRAINS BLOWN UP

Chengchow, To-day.
A Japanese armoured train from Hantan to Anyang on the Peiping-Hankow Railway was blown up by a mine near Fenglochen last week. More than 500 Japanese casualties occurred when a Japanese troop train struck another mine at Tayuanchen, near Anyang.—Central News.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-13/16. London Silver was quoted yesterday at 23-1/2 for Spot and 23-1/2 for forward. The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.02. The New York on London rate was £—U.S.\$3.99%.

from this Regulation by the Governor or by a person so designated. By an Order dated 25th September, 1939, His Excellency the Governor has designated the following as currencies to which the above Regulation applies:—United States dollars, Canadian dollars, belgas, Swiss francs, French francs, guilders, Argentine pesos, Swedish kroner and Norwegian kroner.

"British subject" is defined, for the purposes both of the above Regulation and of Regulation 3A regarding foreign securities so as to include companies incorporated in the British Empire and special attention is drawn to the fact that all British subjects are included, whether of European or Chinese race.

British subjects holding, or having any title to, foreign currency or foreign exchange should report particulars at once to the Financial Secretary (addressing letters "Financial Secretary (Exchange)," Colonial Secretary's Office). Arrangements will be made for such currency or exchange to be taken over by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank on behalf of Government at rates based on the official rates laid down in London.

Individual holdings in travellers cheques or notes of amounts not exceeding the equivalent of H.K. \$500 need not be reported.

STUBBORN CHINESE
RESISTANCE TO
NEW JAP. DRIVE

Changsha, To-day.

LARGE-SCALE FIGHTING is raging in a wide area lying between the Sinsiang River and the Mi River in north Hunan.

The immediate objective of the Japanese drive appears to be Milo on the Canton-Hankow Railway, 45 miles north of Changsha. While Japanese marines who landed at Yingtien on the Tungting Lake are pushing eastward, Japanese army units are attempting to reach the town by driving down the railway.

Very stubborn resistance is being offered. Some 2,000 Japanese are said to have been slain at various points between the Sinsiang and the Mi river during the last two days. This figure includes over 60 Japanese officers of various ranks. A number of Japanese prisoners were taken.

Chinese counter-attacks have been launched with success. Taolin, Hsin-

kaitang, Siaocho and Hsitang are reported to have been successively wrested back.

Yingtien, sixteen miles west of the Canton-Hankow Railway, where Japanese marines landed to out flank the defenders, continues to be the scene of bitter contention. Chienchiuping, east of Yingtien, has been recaptured by the Chinese.

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ACCUSED IN MURDER TRIAL TELLS A LONG STORY

THE MURDER CASE in which Wong Ying, Tang Loi, Chan Lam and Wong Kee-shan are charged with the murder of Lo So, ship's caulker, at Shaukiwan, was continued at the Criminal Sessions this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

The case for the Crown is being conducted by Mr. J. Whyatt, while first and second accused are defended by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. C. d'Almada and the others are represented by Mr. Leo d'Almada Jr. instructed by Mr. F. H. Loseby.

The following compose the jury. Messrs. V. A. Stenson (foreman), M. A. Prata, H. J. A. Hearne, W. Mok, Cheung Tin-li, U Tat-chee and Hooi Yip-heng.

The greater part of this morning's proceeding was occupied with formal evidence of Mr. F. W. Shaftain, who attended the identification parade, Inspector L. R. Whant, who noticed bloodstains on the clothing of first defendant, and of the Police interpreter, who took the defendants' statements when charged.

Yip So-kee, a laundryman, said he permitted the playing of "Tin Kau" in his shop daily from 7 to 11 p.m. He had been doing this for the past 10 years. The players were mostly people he knew and who dealt with him. He did not charge anything for the playing of the game.

On July 22, he was sitting at the door of the shop. He saw first defendant enter the shop and later leave. He did not notice any fight or quarrel in front of his shop.

It was raining. He recalled seeing Lo So, who had been wounded, leaning against the counter in front of the Fook Chan tea house, some distance away.

WONG'S STORY

First defendant, Wong Ying, said he lived in a hut in the rear of Fort Street. He was a boiler-maker, employed on odd jobs at Taikoo Docks. He did not know, Lo So, deceased. At about 9 p.m. on July 22, he went to Yip So-kee's shop to look for a clansman who owed him money. He could not find him there and left the shop.

Yip, he said, collected money from the players. The one who held a certain card had to pay him. He admitted that Mr. C. l'Almada had tried to find his clansman, but added that even if found, he would not come to court for fear of Chan Sam-chai.

As he was leaving the shop, he saw Chan Sam-chai and six others near the entrance, watching for him. He knew Chan and another Yam Long. The men dispersed and some stood at the side of the door. Chan hit him on the shoulder with a weapon which appeared to be a piece of iron. He did not use much force. The other men came up so he ran away.

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BAKER ACCUSED OF MURDER

Yu Wai-tim, alias Tai Kau-lo, 30, baker, was charged with murder before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning.

It was alleged that defendant killed a man named Yau Kam-hoi in Jaffe Road on Friday, over a debt of 50 cents.

A formal remand was ordered.

Det Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin is in charge of the case.

piece of ground. He was still wanting to meet his clansman but he met Wong Kee-shan and abandoned the idea.

Wong told him he was looking for a sampan to spend the night.

SUMMER SAMPAN

There was nothing unusual in hiring a sampan for the night during summer. He also met Tang Loi whom he invited to smoke heroin on the sampan. He gave him a dollar for the purchase of the pills.

The three met Chan Lam, who was sent to borrow a lamp for smoking purposes and later came back with a stranger.

All stayed on board the sampan till 3 a.m., when they were arrested by the Police.

He did not tell the other about the assault on him, he was afraid that if he did so, his friends would be afraid



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The late Floyd Gibbons, above, war correspondent and journalist, who died on Sunday, turned his adventure stories into a series of short films entitled "Your true adventures." Hollywood are now in a quandary regarding the best method of showing them—as "short" or as one theatre programme—and it has been decided that Mr. Vic Hugo, experienced showman, shall be allowed to experiment at the Oriental Theatre. On the result obtained Hollywood will make their decision. Mr. Hugo tells us that he has selected six of these "shorts" and is going to run all six at the Oriental this coming Friday and Saturday.

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12.30 p.m.—Tino Rossi (Tenor) and the Orchestra Mascotta.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Dance Music by Roy Fox and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—What Is Romance (film 'No sky so blue'); Quickstep—The Chocolate Soldier's Daughter; Waltzes—My First Love Song (film 'Queen of Hearts'); Would You (film 'San Francisco'); Concert Arrangements—The Japanese Sandman (Egan, Whiting); Alexander's Ragtime Band (Berlin); Fox-Trots—You Took The Words Right Out Of My Heart (film 'Big Broadcast of 1938'); Thanks for the Memory (film 'Big Broadcast of 1938').

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1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.
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Orch.—Little Swiss Whistling Song (Parr. Davies); Cowboy's Home in Heaven (Robison)... Carson Robison and His Pioneers.
Humorous Monologue—Old Sam... 1: Beat the Retreat on Thy Drum; 2: One Each a Piece All Round... Stanley Holloway with Piano.
Massed Bands—March of the King's

Men (Plater); Song of the Marines (arr. Mackenzie)... Grand Massed Brass Bands at the Leicester Brass Bands Festival, 1938.
Vocal—Junior (film 'St. Louis Blues')... Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 3 in E Flat Major, Op. 55. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

6.45 p.m.—London Relay—News Supplement.

6.55 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.57 p.m.—Another Recital of Popular Classics Composed from the Studio.

7.35 p.m.—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) in a Military Band Concert.

Morning, Noon and Night—Overture (Suppe, arr. Morelli)... The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. R. G. Evans.

So It Goes On ('Swing is in the Air'—Noel Gay); Red, White and Blue ('Swing is in the Air')... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra and Male Quartet.

Great Times—March (Brace); Heslian Infantry March (arr. Prof. Hackenberger)... Massed Military Bands.

Fishin' In The North Sea (Stern-dale-Bennett); The Two Grenadiers (Schumann)... Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orch.

La Matichiche ('Maxixe')—March on a Spanish Air—arr. Bilton... Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Variety Concert by Hal Lorenzo (Jazz-Piano), Toby Gray (Piano-Accordeon) and The Harmony Three (Vocal).

1. Blue Rhythm... Hal Lorenzo and Toby Gray.

2. Sweet Sue... The Harmony Three (Vocal) and a Guitar.

3. Harlem... Hal Lorenzo and Toby Gray.

4. Somebody Loves You... The Harmony Three and a Guitar.

5. Medley: (a) You Changed My Life; (b) Lulu's Back In Town; (c) Nightfall... Hal Lorenzo and Toby Gray.

6. The Continental... The Harmony Three and a Guitar.

7. Hill Billy Medley: (a) Last Round Up; (b) She'll be Coming Round

the Mountain; (c) Ride, Tender-foot, Ride... Hal Lorenzo and Toby Gray.
8.40 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Money for Nothing". A Sketch.

8.55 p.m.—Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.

Three Dances From Nell Gwyn (German); Intermezzo Pizzicato for Strings (Montague Birch); Crocus Time—Serenade for Strings (T. de la Riviere).

9.10 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.35 p.m.—Violin Solos.

Improvisation on a Japanese Tune (Zimbalist); Quruka Kuruka. Japanese Tune (Yamada).... Efreim Zimbalist with Piano accomp.

Madrigal (Simonetti)... Yvonne Curti with Piano accomp.

9.45 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections: "Wild Violets"—Selection (Stolz-Dostal)... Eugen Wolff and His Orchestra.

"Crazy Days"—Selection (Eyton, Carter and Mayerl)... The Shaftesbury Theatre Orchestra London.

"Wake Up And Dream"—Vocal Gems (Porter); "Mister Cinders"—Vocal Gems (Ellis and Myers).... Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

"London Rhapsody"—Vocal Selection (Carr and Kennedy)... The London Palladium Orchestra.

10.15 p.m.—A Programme of Variety and Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Moon or no Moon (film 'Gangway'); Gangway (from the film)... Jack Hyton and His Orchestra.

Vocal—I Wish On The Moon (from 'The Big Broadcast of 1936'); I'm In The Mood for Love (film 'Every night at eight')... Lanny Ross with Orchestra.

Quickstep—Don't Say Goodbye Waltz—I Hum a Waltz (film 'This is my Affair')... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

Vocal—Lonesome Love-Sick Blues (Williams); I Love Dancing (Williams)... Josephine Baker with Two Pianos.

Fox-Trot Selection—On The Avenue; Fox-Trot—So Rare... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orch.

Fox-Trots—Old Man Moon (film 'Topper'); Foolin' Myself... Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

Vocal and Piano—Hypnotized (Lewis and Others); A Little Rendezvous In Honolulu (Leslie and Burke)... Turner Layton.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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North-South 40 on score

♠ 4
♥ J 9 7
♦ A 8 6 3
♣ K 10 9 8 4
AKQ96 N 8 7 3
♥ 8 2 W 6 5 4 3
♦ K J 10 E 7
♣ 5 4 S Q J 7 3
♠ 0
♠ J 10 6 3
♥ K Q 10
♦ Q 9 2
♣ A 5 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	1♠	2♠	Pass
Pass	2♦	3♠	3♠
Pass	Pass	4♠	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

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Declarer now led the nine of hearts. East played the Ace, cashed his Queen-Jack of clubs and now played a spade.

We draw a veil over the rest of the hand. Suffice to say Declarer went down 1,100 points—a penalty which we feel was really deserved as a result of his bad bidding and play.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and held:

♠ K x
♥ Q x x
♦ Q 10 8 3
♣ 10 x x

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	You	Burnstone
1♠	Dbl.	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

What do you lead?

ANSWER: Your correct lead is the King of spades. True, it might turn out that the surprise lead of a diamond would beat the hand. But in all probability the best chance for successful defence is to find your partner with a spade suit that can be set up.

Score 100% for the King of spades, 80% for three of diamonds, 0 for any other lead.

QUESTION NO. 215

Neither side is vulnerable. You are the dealer and hold:

♠ A x x x
♥ Q x x
♦ A x x x x x
♣ A x x x x x

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

CHAMPIONS STILL FORMIDABLE;
DARK HORSES IN CANADIAN TEAM!

(By Grandstand)

IN A COUPLE WEEKS the familiar crack of hickory against horsehide will once more ring at King's Park when the Softball season officially gets under way.

Like the Men, the Ladies are hard at it, practising and training for the coming campaign. With more experience and the way the fair sex look in practice, fans should be treated to a higher standard of play during the 1939-40 season.

With the exception of Central British Association all the Ladies' teams are again entered this year.

Wildcats, last season's title holders, loom as the strongest contenders for the Southard Trophy this winter. These girls have been practicing all summer and are "raring to go" to defend their title.

The Mar Sisters from the nucleus of the aggregation. Lily Mar will again be on the hill for the wild kittens with sister Doris at the receiving end. Mary Mar will most probably cover the initial sack with kid sister Gloria covering the keystone bag.

Ella Chinn should be able to hold down the hot corner position to complete a stone wall infield. Francis "Zaza" Lee will be somewhere in the outfield with Aggie Horton and Mary Chung.

Wildcats have four new players, but they are keeping their names in the dark for the time being.

WAHOOS IMPROVED

The Wahoos, who just missed the pennant last season by dropping a play off contest against the Wildcats, are all back again stronger than ever. With the exception of Betty Goo, the Wahoo squad is intact.

Tesese Noronha, who proved to be one of the best hurlers last winter, will again shoulder the pitching job for the Green Owls.

With Lena Luongo behind the plate, Yvonne Yolle at first base, Paula Chan at second, Jacqueline Anderson at third and star Irene Costilho guarding the windy alley, the Wahoos have a strong infield.

Out in the green pastures will be Jeanne Yolle, Ada Sufflad, E. Anderson, V. Costilho and M. Choa.

The Wahoos are shaping very well and by the time the season officially starts they ought to be in tip-top shape to repeat their good performance last winter or even better it.

TWO "BEAUTIES" FOR CANADIANS

George Chow of Canadian Chinese Club will have it that their gals' team this year is a "cracker-jack" one and stronger, in spite of the fact that they are losing their ace second baseman in Florence Bunn who is leaving these shores for the Dominion on Friday.

Secrecy seems to be the order of the day with most teams and the "Maple Leafs", according again to my amigo George Chow, are keeping to themselves the name of two new beauties who arrived recently all the way from Montreal and Winnipeg.

Mary and Dot Louie will once more form the battery for the "Canucks".

Other members of the team are: Jean Lee, who can always be depended upon as a first sacker and with the willow wand, Mable Louie, who can ably cover any position in the infield, fly-freezer Katy Lee, Rene Yuen scooping them at the keystone bag, and Dot Wong another dependable outfielder.

RECREIO TO BE WATCHED!

The Portuguese girls from Club de Recreio are displaying great form in practice and should be a dangerous team to contend with.

Mary Lachlan is pitching better ball than she did last season. She has better control and if she can keep cool under stiff competition and razzing her offerings will baffle the opposition.

Margaret Oliveira, last year's short-stop and base-runner will again cause some thrills and excitement with her flashy fielding running.

Irene Pereira will be at first base and her hard hitting will be a great help to the female Recs. Olga Ribeiro at third base, Nena Ribeiro at back-stop, Cissy Botelho and sister Olga in the outfield are other good players in the Recreio camp and should give a good account of themselves, to help put their team in the running for the championship.

WANTED, — A CATCHER!

I saw the Cardinals at their first practice last Friday and although the Red Birds looked a bit rusty they have the makings of a good team if they get down to some serious training.

The "Cards" have recruited three new players in Betty Longbottom, Stella Roberts, and Beatrice Greaves.

Mentor Doc Molthen's big problem in replacing Adi Zimmern's good pitching seems to be solved. Eileen Bliss is being groomed for the hillcock position and is progressing satisfactorily.

She has a natural under-arm swing and with more practice should acquire speed and control.

Another good prospect for the hurling job is newcomer Betty Longbottom. She has speed and control but with no experience she is inclined to rush her pitches and lose control.

Coach Doc Molthen is looking high and low for a good backstop among the Cardinals but so far he hasn't found what he wants.

With the new ruling which allows a

ARMY
SPORTLIGHT

(By "SQUADDY")

DESPITE the disturbed conditions prevailing at the present time, Army have resolved to go forward with their sporting activities, adhering to their normal programme as far as possible.

A concrete effort in this direction will be two cricket trial matches, one to be held on September 27 and the other on September 30, with a view to finding the Army representative sides for the Hong Kong League.

The sides are mostly composed of players who are already well known to local cricket enthusiasts, and will be captained in the first match by Captains Godby and Laurence. The former captained Army first eleven for most of last season, and the latter although he arrived late in the season, soon showed his capabilities.

A NEW name in local cricket is Captain Dewar of R.A.S.C. I have never seen him play, but by reputation he is a useful bat who can also send down a pretty fast ball. Chaplin, a Sergeant in the R.A., will also be turning out. He is a left hand bat who can sit on the splice when the occasion demands. He is also quite useful behind the stumps. Dobbins, another Gunner, is also playing but I am uninformed as to his capabilities.

I think I am right in saying that Major Harvey of the Medicals has not appeared in representative Army sides here before, but I have no doubt that he will be a regular member of one of the sides this season providing his duties allow him the time. He is a very useful and stylish batsman, and a good opening bowler, who can turn the ball from either the leg or the off.

CAPTAIN GROSE, R. Engineers' latest recruit in Colony cricket, has had experience with Kent in the County Championship at home, and this should stand him in good stead here. L/Cpl. Young of the R.A.S.C. also has a good reputation and is a very fine opening bat when he gets going. To add to his qualifications he is an extremely good slow break bowler, and might quite possibly fill a long wanted position in the side.

S/Sgt. Gardner, R.A.O.C., has had experience with the Aldershot Command side at home and as soon as he is used to the wickets out here should automatically get his place in the first eleven.

SO far only six players in each side have been picked for the second trial and the remainder will be selected from those taking part in the first. The only new names so far in this game are Sgt. Havercroft, R.A.S.C.,

runner on third to score on a pass ball, wild pitch and throw back, a team with a weak catcher will be at a disadvantage.

Betty Longbottom, if she is not pitching, should make a good catcher. She is not afraid of the ball and has a good throwing arm.

Hilda Reid is another possible catcher. The Cardinals' line-up is not settled yet but will probably be as follows: Eileen Bliss, Pitcher, Betty Longbottom, Catcher, Charito Ismail, First base, Marie Roza, second base, Jessie Wong, third base, Florio Wong, Shortstop, Hilda Reid, Stella Roberts, Beatrice Greaves and Gertrude White outfielders.

Prospects of others entries in the Women's League will be discussed next week.

8-BALL
OVER
ADOPTED

At the Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Cricket League it was decided that the League be continued this season on the same lines as last year.

The Royal Air Force were admitted into the Second Division providing they were able to make some arrangements with the Royal Navy for the playing of their home matches.

The application of the University to compete in the First Division was not granted, the chairman (Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell) said that the University would have ample opportunities of meeting senior teams in friendly games.

Friendly games will as last year be played till the end of the year and the League games will start in January.

It was also decided to adopt the eight ball over this season and clubs were advised to introduce this in all their friendly games so that bowlers would get accustomed to the eight ball.

The usual grant of \$50 to the Children's Play ground Association was given.

The following were elected officers for the new season.

President—Mr. H. R. B. Hancock.
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H.K. HOCKEY CLUB
PRACTICE

The following teams have been chosen to play in the first practice game on the Club Ground to-morrow.

Colours—V. M. Benwell; E. V. Reed and V. C. Bond; H. J. D. Lowe (Capt.), N. B. Whitley and R. A. Bates; W. Spencer, G. D. Woolgar, Lt. R. Carter and D. C. Highlands, K. A. Bidmead and I. P. Tamworth.

Whites—H. W. Brown; W. Schnabel and J. W. Pennington; L. Starbuck, W. A. Reed and A. M. J. Wright; S. A. Fowler, D. S. Carey, B. D. W. Howe and G. E. R. Divett (Capt.), W. E. Gillespie, V. E. Corfer and E. F. A. Morgan.

Members are asked to bring a club shirt as well as a white shirt as teams may be changed around at half time.

and Vaughniaux, R.A.O.C. The former is a promising bat who, reaching his best late last season, made several useful scores once he ran into form. He can also keep wicket. Vaughniaux is a steady all rounder, seldom brilliant, but usually dependable.

SUMMING up on the likelihood of the result of the trial match, which after all does not really matter, I should say that Captain Lawrence's team is the stronger as he has a positive battery of bowlers and although weaker than Captain Godby's team in the batting line should have enough runs to ensure victory.

The teams are as follows for the first game:

Captain Godby's XI:—Major Swyer, Captains Godby, Dewar, Lieut. Ingram, Dvr. Logan, Sgt. Emberson, Sgt. Chaplin, Sgt. Brackenbury, Sgt. Webb, Pte. Boocock and Cpl. Blount.

Captain Lawrence's XI:—Captain Lawrence, Major Harvey, Captain Grose, Q.M.S. Patterson, L/Cpl. Young, L/Bdr. Baraby, L/Cpl. Murphy, Cpl. Martin, S/Sgt. Gardner, Pte. Hatfield and Sign. Willis.

THE following have already been selected for the second trial.

Captains Godby, Lawrence, Whatman, Major Godley, Lt. Farras, Lt. Weedon, Lt. Man, Sgt. Havercroft, Sgt. Gill, Cpl. Eddy and Sgt. Vaughniaux.



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MIDDLESEX NOT TO PLAY IN LOCAL SOCCER LEAGUE

LOCAL football circles will learn with genuine regret that that great sporting battalion, Middlesex Regiment, have decided, after mature consideration, to withdraw from Hong Kong Football League this season owing to the exigency of the service and are, or have notified, Hong Kong Football Association to that effect.

Some little time ago, Middlesex wrote to the Association informing them of their decision but that happened before the monthly meeting. At this meeting, it will be recalled, the Association decided to carry on with the season's soccer but were prepared to make allowances to teams engaged in military work or on Volunteer manning, and postponements were to be permitted with due regard to the circumstances for each postponement.

SENIOR DIVISION REDUCED

With the withdrawal of Middlesex, First Division will now be reduced to

10 teams while there will be a vacancy in the "B" section of the Second Division.

Middlesex have not won many trophies in Senior Division but have done as well as could be expected in Junior Division and have won several competitions since their arrival here.

They have always had several outstanding players in the team and have furnished most of the Army players for the past few seasons, while in representative games they were well represented and several of the Battalion obtained Interport honours.

Names in connection with the battalion worth recalling are Hartley, who later joined Royal Army Service Corps and played for Kowloon, and Watson, one of the best backs the Colony has seen for some time.

Then there are Sheehan, Courtney and Freshwater who represented the Colony against Manila recently, and others equally well known in local circles, including Pearson, whose head work was a feature of his game two seasons ago, Saw, the great dribbler, Marrable, and Bright the pivot, who played a great game last Sunday.

Middlesex have had some of the

military grounds allotted to them and are anxious to play friendly games when circumstances permit.

It is understood that other sporting activities will be carried on as far as possible.

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captain again, will again be partnered on the right wing by Miss Betty Harker, new vice-captain, and Mrs. Gardner looks assured of the inside-left berth, with possibly Miss Helen Bockler on the left-wing and Miss Dorothy McCaw in the centre. The left-half position may go to Mrs. Starbuck if she has retained her former skill, but some of the newcomers may upset calculations in this respect. The left-back position is likely to cause anxiety and only the trials can produce the player. Mrs. Stone, however, could very easily fill the full-back position as this was the berth she filled in County matches in England.

The first trial will be held on the "Y" ground, King's Park, at 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 7, while it is also notified that practice evenings will be Tuesdays, not Thursdays.

Mr. G. T. Palmer will be coaching the champions once again—Mr. "Bunny" Austin deputised last season when Mr. Palmer was transferred to Canton.

In all, "Y" Ladies, though crippled by the loss of five outstanding players, are likely to be again a power in the land.

SPORTS PARADE

NEWS that badminton is to be restored as a sporting activity at Kowloon Cricket Club, will I am sure, be welcomed not only by the badminton-playing members of that club, by all interested in the game in Hong Kong.

The main hall of K.C.C. is admirably suited for badminton and the arrangement of galleries on two sides of the court will make this club ideal for the purpose of holding such representative matches as feature the normal local badminton season.

It will be recalled by those interested in the game that it was a number of K.C.C. members who were the real pioneers of badminton, and it was here that organised badminton really came into being.

K.C.C. was one of three clubs among who inter-club games were first played. Other two were St. Andrew's, who last season left the First Division for the Junior Division, which they won, and Club de Recreo, which still remains the club with the greatest wealth of talent.

Among the first people in the Colony to play the game, who participated in exhibitions at K.C.C., were A. Collins, S. A. Gray (present Hon. Secretary of the Association), E. L. H. Shute and E. Sousa, while Mrs. Shute and Miss Madge Griffiths also played.

K. C. C. were among the first entries when a League was formed but were forced to withdraw in the early stages when the sprung floor of the Hall gave signs of cracking in 1935.

The floor has now been strengthened and is quite capable of standing up to the most violent play.

FORCED to seek other spheres in which badminton was possible, many members of K.C.C. now play for other clubs. It will be interesting to see if they will rally to the support of K.C.C. if teams are entered in the various sections of the League.

Among K.C.C. members who play, or have played up to recently, in the League are H. Kew, E. F. Fincher, S. A. Gray, A. S. Bliss and F. A. Broadbridge (St. Andrew's), A. L. Fisher and N. A. E. Mackay, T. A. Madar (Kowloon Tong), Miss Eileen Bliss, Miss Iris Woolley and Miss G. White (St. Andrew's).

I understand that P. Wynter-Blyth, a very promising tennis player, has played in a very good class of badminton in the United Kingdom and he should be a decided acquisition in any form of badminton that K.C.C. decides to follow.

LADIES, winners of the Caer Clark Cup, premier ladies' hockey trophy, for the past three seasons, will start the 1939-40 season without four of their championship team—Mrs. Burke, right-back, Mrs. Williams, left-half, and Miss Marie Smith and Miss Marjorie Westcott (now Mrs. Pilgrim), the Interport left-wing pair, while Miss Anne Fowler, left-back, is unlikely to be available after next month. Their worries do not end at the first team either as, among those lost to the junior eleven are Miss Dairne, mainstay of the team, Miss Sheila Bruce, Miss W. Ambrose, Mrs. Slater and Miss Pocock. It is, however, to their credit that they have decided to enter a junior team in the Brawn Cup series, despite the fact that injuries and illness may take heavy toll of a very limited number of players.

Newcomers include Mrs. Sybil Gardner, Interport inside-left who has returned from Shanghai, Miss Dorothy McCaw, ex-C.B.S. centre-forward, Mrs. Starbuck, who is to play again after an absence of two seasons and who should, on past form, solve one of the defence problems, Miss Constance Minnot, ex-C.B.S. goalkeeper, Mrs. Joffre (formerly Miss Lyn Murray), who played for the second team in the 1937-38 season and who will be available at irregular intervals, Miss Stokes, the K.C.C. tennis player, Miss Kenniston, Mrs. Ashman, Mrs. Greave and Mrs. Harrington, the last three of whom are from Tientsin.

It will be recalled that Mrs. Maud Read met with conspicuous success as leader of the Hong Kong attack in Shanghai last April after playing in goal for "Y" throughout the League season. This time, however, Miss Minnot seems to solve the problem of goalkeeper and indications are that Mrs. Read will be tried out at right-back. Mrs. Stone, secretary this season, will be seen at right-half and Miss Muriel McCaw will again play centre-half. Mrs. Olive Burnett, (Continued on preceding Col.)

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THREE CHILDREN FOUND SAFE

The three children who were reported missing following the outbreak of the disastrous fire at Kennedy Town yesterday, and who were believed to have perished in the fire, were located this morning by their parents.

The charred bones discovered by firemen yesterday in a burnt hut are now believed to have belonged to a dog.

The three children were found with neighbours to whom they fled after the fire broke out.

They are Li Hoo, 9-year-old girl, and two boys, Li Ping, 7, and Li Mui, 9.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone continues to move slowly eastward, and now extends from the mouth of the Yangtze to the south of Japan. Another anti-cyclone is developing over North China and Mongolia.

Pressure remains low over Thai and the China Sea, and over the Mariana Islands. A depression appears to be forming to the east of the Visayas.

TWO SNATCHINGS

Two snatching incidents occurred between 4 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. yesterday in Wellington Street.

Miss Wong Sai-chuen, had a \$50-bracelet snatched at 4 p.m. and half an hour later another Chinese woman

BAR BOY OF K.I.T.C. BOUND OVER

ACCUSED OF HAVING EMBEZZLED \$102 FROM AHMED KHAN, SECRETARY OF THE KOWLOON INDIAN TENNIS CLUB, BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPTEMBER 16, DURING WHICH TIME HE WAS EMPLOYED AS NO. 1 BAR BOY, WAI YUK-SAN, 40, WAS THIS MORNING PLACED ON A \$50 BOND BY MR. Q. A. A. MACFADYEN.

Mr. G. S. Ford pleaded guilty on behalf of Wai, asking for leniency on the ground that Wai was only given \$18 wages per month, a sum which could hardly meet the high cost of living in this Colony.

Mr. Ford told the court that the missing money was collected by Wai on numerous occasions from members who paid cash for their drinks in the Club, so that Wai spent the money only by sums of \$2 or \$3 at a time. The Club's stock had never been checked since Wai was employed.

Wai was also ordered to pay \$100 to the Club within one month. The bond was signed by Wai's brother, who, it was said, is a boy at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser prosecuted.

NAZI AIR FLEETS MASS ON SWISS FRONTIER

London, To-day.

A report from Paris states that the Germans are massing air squadrons at strategic points along the Swiss borders.—Reuter.

Thieves entered the Tokyo Hotel yesterday and stole \$105 belonging to Mrs. Matsuhita.

had a gold neck chain snatched. Both snatchers escaped.

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STORY OF A BRIBE

A 31-year-old lift boy, Lui Po, and Lui Tim, 18, were charged before Mr. E. Edwards this morning, with giving a bribe of \$10 to Sergeant Morris.

Defendants pleaded not guilty.

Sergeant Morris, in evidence, said that on Sunday morning, he met the defendants in the Guards' Office, where first defendant gave him a letter. He told defendants to return next morning. About 9 o'clock yesterday morning, defendants gave him another letter, while he was writing at his desk. He opened it and a \$10 note fell out. He informed the Officer in charge of the guards office.

Defendants said the banknote was put in by mistake.

The case was adjourned till tomorrow for witness to be called.

Det. Inspector A. L. Hopkins is in charge of the case.

FISHERMAN DIES

The Japanese navy in South China waters claimed another victim on Sunday night when a Chinese fisherman succumbed to two stab wounds inflicted during an attack on his junk.

The victim, Ho Po, 45, of junk No. T865H, died in the Queen Mary Hospital at 9.25 p.m.

He was admitted to the hospital on Saturday after being brought to the Colony by another junk.

His junk was attacked near Au Tau.

FARE EVADER

For failing to pay train fare whilst travelling between Sha Tin and Shum Chun yesterday, Yip Man, 25, farmer, was this morning fined \$10 or two weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. Hims-worth.

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Shanghai, To-day.

The crew of the s.s. Nagasaki Maru have struck work, demanding improved wages and conditions. The ship is held up but negotiations are proceeding between representatives of the crew and of the agents. The steamer is on the fast Shanghai-Nagasaki run.—Our Own Correspondent.

Macao, To-day.

The Japanese are reported to be consolidating their positions in the areas to which they withdrew following two unsuccessful attempts to reach Shek-ki.

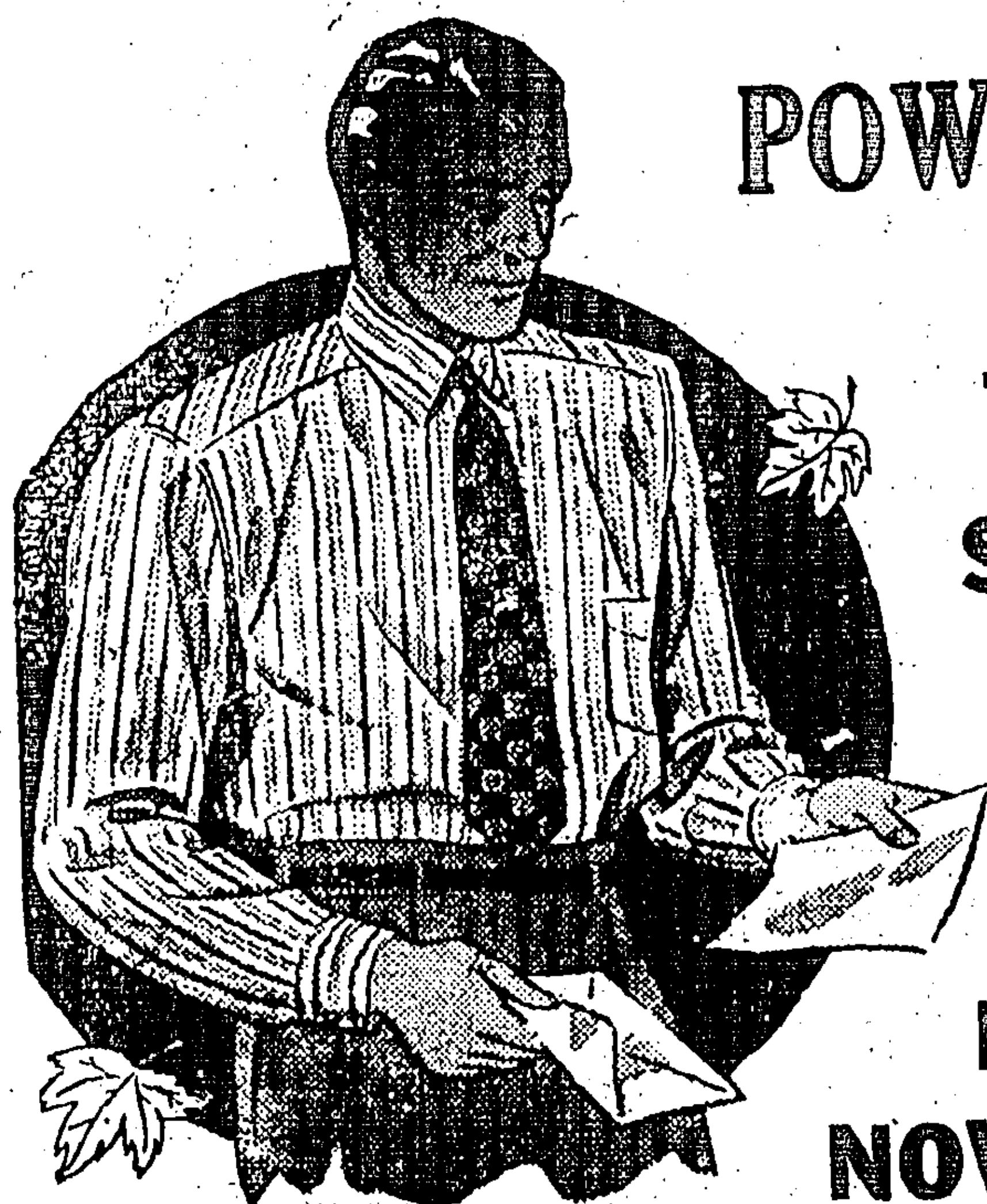
For the last three days there have been no important clashes, and refugees are beginning to return to Shek-ki. — Our Own Correspondent.

Spending almost a week in Chungking conferring with government officials, Mr. T. V. Soong, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank of China, returned to the Colony this morning.

WANG CHING-WEI'S BROTHER PASSES

Macao, To-day.

The death has occurred, from natural causes, of Mr. Wang Keng-ng, who has been living for some time in retirement in Macao and was a brother of Wang Ching-wei.—Reuter.



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